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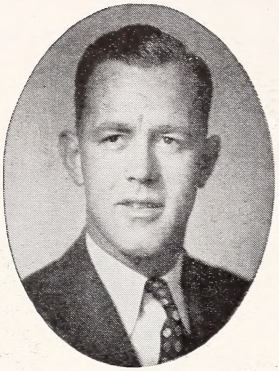


"BOB"
S. H. RAYNER

WE REGARD OUR DEALINGS WITH YOU AS A FRIENDLY PARTNERSHIP

"JACK"
H. J. W. RAYNER

To Our Friends and Customers:

Twenty-two years ago we started our nursery business with the resolve that we would do our best to assure our customers true value in all dealings. We attribute our continued success to our sincere efforts to live up to this policy.

We like to feel when we ship you an order of plants we are furnishing the means for a profitable venture that will bring many hours of pleasant enjoyment and the satisfaction that comes with a good investment.

In the pages of our catalog we have made a sincere effort to accurately describe the possibilities offered to growers of small fruits, to recommend the best varieties for each area from our long experience with growers throughout the United States, and to outline the best methods of planting, cultivation and care.

It is our belief that fancy words and artists' dreams will not contribute any measure of success to your plantings. All illustrations in our catalog are from actual photographs and whenever a variety is illustrated it is in actual size unless otherwise indicated. All descriptions are as faithful as we can summons words to make them.

Folks have come to depend upon us as a source of quality plants and good service. It is our greatest pleasure to greet old friends year after year and it fills our hearts with pride to have new customers tell us they ordered on the recommendations of an old customer.

To our old friends, many thanks. And to our new customers a hearty welcome. We look forward to the pleasure of serving you in 1948.

Sincerely and with much appreciation.

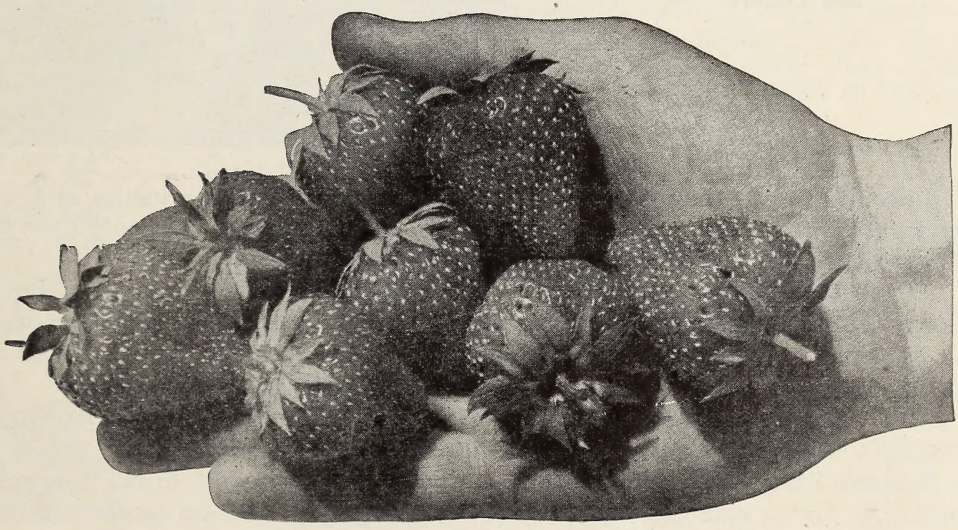
Jack & Bob Rayner

● BETTER BERRIES BUILT OUR BUSINESS ●

YES YOU CAN GROW STRAWBERRIES

To the question "Can I grow Strawberries"? our answer is almost invariably YES, because we know from experience with growers in every State that strawberries are the most widely adapted of all fruit crops. Grown throughout the United States and in all soil types from sandy loam to heavy clay soil, strawberries are at home in vegetable gardens from the hottest climates of Southern summers to the severe winter conditions of the Northern States. If you have success with other crops this is reasonable assurance that you can grow strawberries for your own needs and as a profitable addition to your other money crops.

STRAWBERRIES ARE THE MOST POPULAR AND PROFITABLE SMALL FRUIT CROP



Rayner Brothers OFFER YOU A COMPLETE SERVICE DESIGNED FOR STRAWBERRY SUCCESS

ONE One of the largest variety selections in the United States, your assurance of the best plant selections for your needs.

TWO Complete culture instructions that tell you when to plant, how to plant and methods of securing best growth.

THREE Complete information and advice on care of plants from the day your plants are set until the harvest of your berry patch is a joyous reality, and advice for continuing the fruiting bed for future production.

● **RAYNER PLANTS PLUS RAYNER SERVICE FOR STRAWBERRY SUCCESS** ●

Why Rayner's Offer

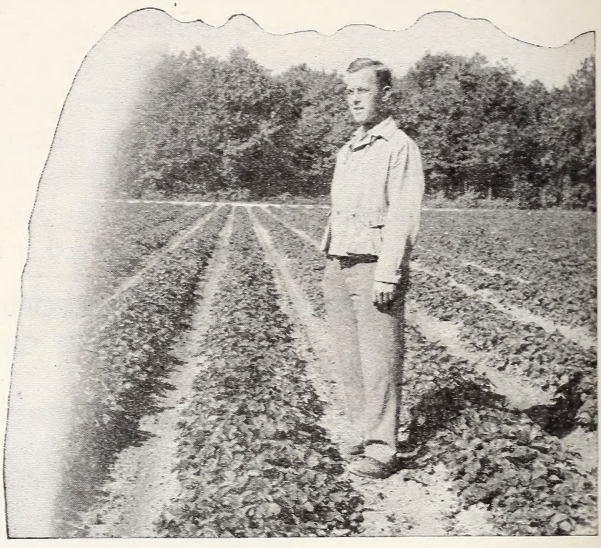
33 Strawberry Varieties

ONE OF LARGEST SELECTIONS IN UNITED STATES

A message from

S. H. (Bob) RAYNER

Who Personally Supervises Strawberry Planting and Culture



It would be ever so much easier to offer only a dozen or so varieties of strawberries, but we know that in order to best serve each customer we should have the varieties that will do the best job for him.

While it is true that strawberries grow in every State, it is also true that a variety which flourishes in one section of the Country may do poorly in another. This may be caused by the difference in length of days in various sections and climatic factors which control the growth of plants and the fruiting of varieties.

We know, for example, that while Premier is the leading variety in the Upper Mississippi Valley States and the Northeastern States it is not a popular variety in the Southern States because there is not sufficient dormant season to suit its requirements. As further example, we would cite Blakemore which is an excellent variety in many Southern States but is not satisfactory in the general Premier growing area.

We consider ourselves specialists in the strawberry plant business, and as specialists we feel it is our duty to provide the varieties that will do the best job for you based on our years of experience with thousands of growers and the recommendations of State Experiment Stations and the United States Department of Agriculture.

We are confident that if we provide you the correct varieties and the best methods of cultivation you will have abundant success with your plantings. On the next page we have listed variety preferences by States and areas. On the pages that follow we have fully described these varieties so that you may make the selections that best suit your needs.

We are proud to present one of the largest selections of outstanding strawberry varieties in the United States.

● **YOU CAN RELY ON RAYNER'S FOR THE BEST PLANT VARIETIES** ●

WHERE THEY DO BEST

VARIETY PREFERENCES BY STATES AND AREAS
(*denotes most popular varieties)

May we suggest reference to this list should you need assistance in selecting varieties that would do best in your particular area. These listings are based on our experience with berry growers in these areas.

MISSIONARY*	FLORIDA, CUBA and areas where the growing season is almost continuous.
KLONDYKE* **KLONMORE***	SOUTH CAROLINA, LOUISIANA, MISSISSIPPI, TEXAS, CALIFORNIA and areas of similar climate.
MASSEY* **BLAKEMORE***	DELAWARE, MARYLAND, NORTH CAROLINA, VIRGINIA, WEST VIRGINIA, TENNESSEE, KENTUCKY, OKLAHOMA, ALABAMA, ARKANSAS and OHIO VALLEY.
SUWANEE	Home garden berry in all above states except Maryland and Delaware.
AROMA	Popular late shipping berry in states southwest of Ohio.
PREMIER* **(or Howard 17)** **CATSKILL*** **SPARKLE** **BIG JOE*** **FAIRFAX*** **FAIRPEAKE*** **REDSTAR*** **TEMPLE*** **FAIRLAND**	In higher elevations of VIRGINIA and WEST VIRGINIA and northward in all states including MARYLAND, DELAWARE, PENNSYLVANIA, NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, MASSACHUSETTS, VERMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE, MAINE, OHIO, MICHIGAN and ALL GREAT LAKES STATES and CANADA. TEMPLE and FAIRFAX are also widely grown throughout the Coastal plain of Virginia and North Carolina.
MAYTIME* **MIDLAND*** **STARBRIGHT** **CHESAPEAKE** **LUPTON**	VIRGINIA to SOUTHERN MASSACHUSETTS and westward to OKLAHOMA and KANSAS.
SEN. DUNLAP **SCARLET-BEAUTY** **(or Robinson)** **AMBROSIA** **DORSETT***	WISCONSIN, MICHIGAN, OHIO, IOWA, KANSAS and all Premier, Catskill areas north to MASSACHUSETTS and south to MARYLAND.
PATHFINDER	NEW JERSEY northward in all Premier, Catskill growing areas.
EVERBEARING VARIETIES	All States from MARYLAND northward and generally in Premier, Catskill areas. Except in high elevations, everbearing varieties do not usually make a good crop in the Southern States.

RAYNER'S Varieties Meet Every Need

- **Varieties that bear firm berries especially adapted to long-distance shipping—**
- **Varieties with large, attractive berries of best flavor and quality especially suited for local market and home use—**
- **Varieties especially adapted to canning and freezing with firmness and sub-acid flavor essential to preserving and canning.**

Rayner's Give You This Information on Variety Description Pages

STRAWBERRIES ....

Make an A-1 EXTRA Crop

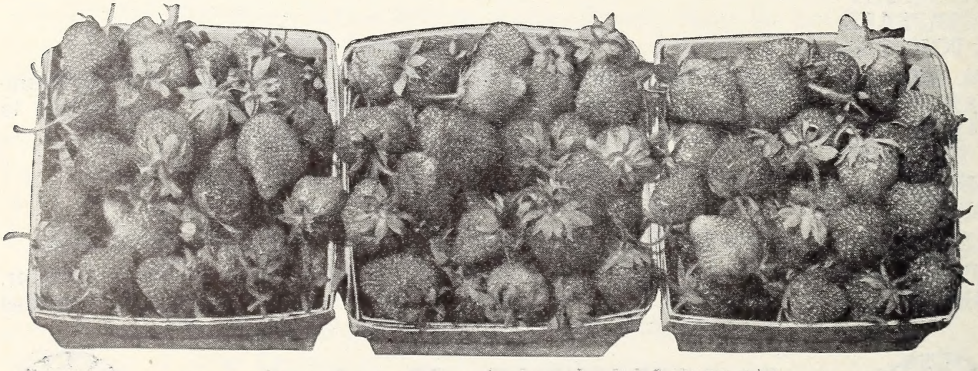
Farming for a dependable profit year after year is best realized by growers who do not believe in "putting all their eggs in one basket", but who raise crops that will extend the harvest season over a longer period. This makes for most efficient use of farming equipment and best use of regular farm labor with less need for hiring temporary help. Then, should one crop fail, the remaining crops are assurance of still making a profit.

Strawberries are ideal for that "Extra Crop". Strawberries are the first fruit to ripen in the Spring and are often the first source of cash income to the farmer.

Most important, very little cash outlay is necessary. If you have stable or chicken manure or compost, no fertilizer is necessary. If you do not have these materials, 500 to 600 lbs. of fertilizer per acre is usually sufficient.

Strawberries are planted in the early Spring, just as soon as the ground can be worked and when help is not usually busy with other crops. There is no long wait between planting and profits as with many fruits. Regular varieties fruit the Spring following planting. Everbearers fruit the same Summer and Fall following planting and begin fruiting again along with regular varieties the following Spring.

There is a place for Strawberries in every garden and on almost every farm. We know of no crop that will give more pleasure to the gardener and return as consistently large profit to the larger grower. This is a good year to begin your strawberry plantings. Commercial acreage decreased during the war years and is still considerably less than normal. Strawberry profits should be good for years to come.



(Quart Cups of Red Star Variety Photographed from 1947 Fruiting)

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● **Growers Throughout the Nation Know They Can Rely on Rayner Brothers** ●

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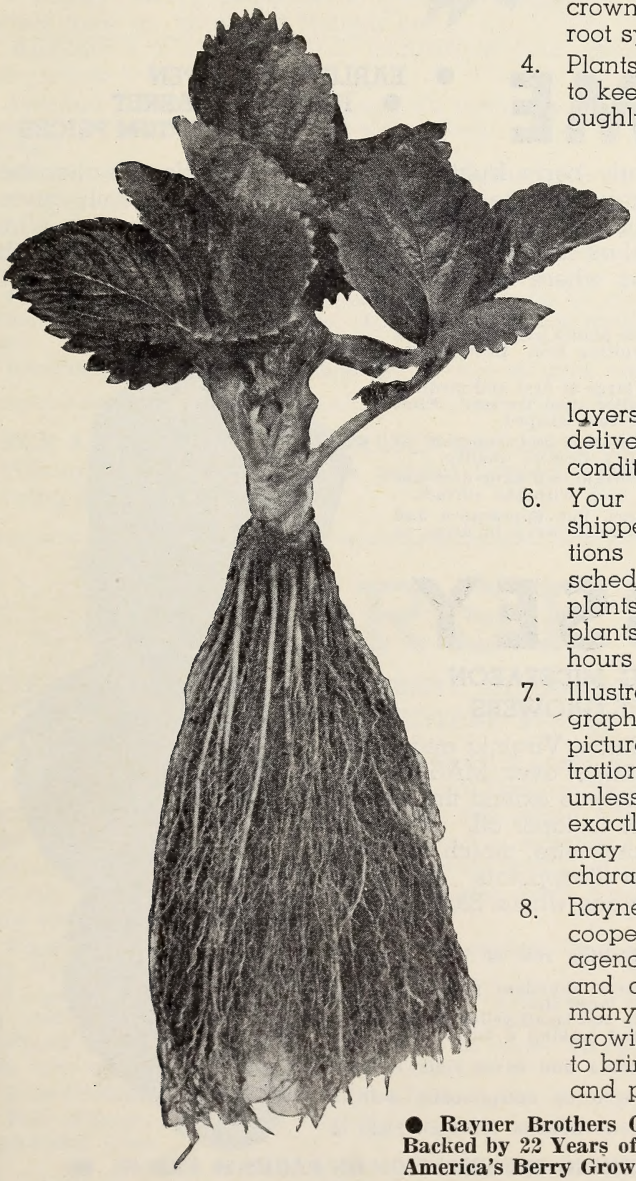


1. Plants purchased from these pages will be True-to-Name. We guarantee you will receive top quality plants in the variety you order.
2. Plants are from selected parent stock, carefully graded so that you receive the very best from selections of strong, well-rooted stock.
3. Your order, regardless how small or large, will be filled with a full count of plants with good healthy crowns and full, well-developed root systems.
4. Plants are dug by a special method to keep all roots intact and are thoroughly cleaned by expert hands, all excess removed and roots straightened ready for planting.
5. Your order will be carefully packed in light, ventilated crates (small lots wrapped in waterproof paper with plenty of ventilation) with roots packed in layers of damp spaghnum moss for delivery to you in perfect growing condition.
6. Your plants will be packed and shipped promptly, weather conditions permitting. Our packing schedules are designed to move plants without carry-overs and all plants are shipped within a few hours after packing.
7. Illustrations are from actual photographs. There are no over-size pictures to confuse you. The illustrations you see are true size of fruit, unless otherwise indicated, and are exactly as photographed so you may have a true picture of the characteristics of the fruit.
8. Rayner Brothers will continue close cooperation with State and Federal agencies interested in fruit culture, and our personal experience from many years of successful plant growing will be diligently applied to bring you the very best in plants and planting assistance.

● **Rayner Brothers Guarantee of 100% Satisfaction is Backed by 22 Years of Reliable, Conscientious Service to America's Berry Growers.**

Very Early

MAYTIME

- EARLIEST TO RIPEN
- FIRST TO MARKET
- FOR PREMIUM PRICES

MAYTIME is an extra early berry fruiting from four to eight days earlier than Premier, Dorsett and other early varieties. Berries ripen quickly, usually giving two biggest pickings at premium prices before other early berries are ready. While MAYTIME has been successful as far north as Massachusetts, we recommend it be planted with caution in areas where late frosts are usually prevalent.

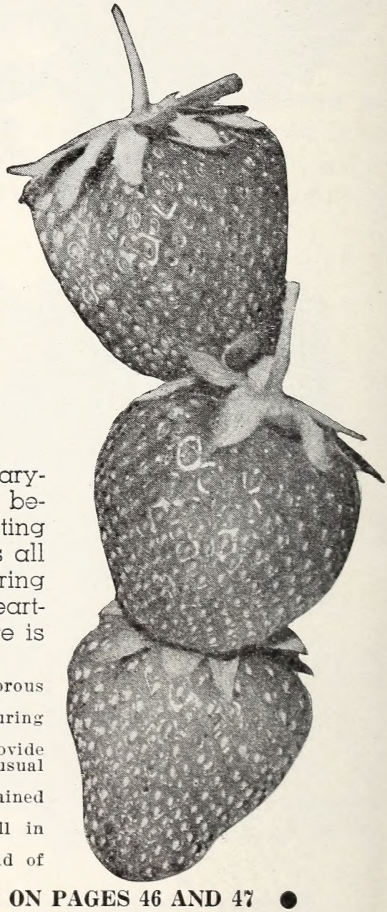
Free Growth—Vigorous, medium size plants produce runners very freely, and readily form good fruiting bed. Resistant to leaf spot and scorch.

Large to Medium Berries—Average large at first and medium to large later in season, slightly smaller than Dorsett. First berries cone and wedge shaped; later cone shaped.

Sweet and Juicy—Flavor much sweeter and superior to Blakemore and Missionary. Fine, juicy dessert quality.

Glossy Bright Red—Firm, glossy, bright red skin does not darken with holding. Uniform seeds even with the surface.

Good Shipper—MAYTIME'S firmness, fine appearance and earliness makes it a profitable commercial berry in areas to which adapted.



MASSEY

OUTSTANDING MIDSEASON WITH BLAKEMORE GROWERS

Berry growers in the Carolinas, Virginia and Maryland are particularly enthusiastic over MASSEY because it fills the bill for a variety to extend the fruiting season after Blakemore begins to taper off. It has all the qualities a berry needs, large size, mouth watering beauty and a flavor that never disappoints. We heartily recommend MASSEY in areas where Blakemore is grown successfully.

Thrifty Grower—Makes a good fruiting row of large vigorous plants resistant to spot and scorch.

Uniform Berries—Large flowers carry abundant pollen, assuring well-developed berries of large to very large size.

Glossy Bright Red—Vivid green cap and small yellow seed provide fitting contrast to the high, glossy red making a berry of unusual beauty.

Delicious Flavor—Fine dessert quality and flavor fully retained several days after picking.

Excellent Shipper—Firm berries hold up exceptionally well in shipment.

Good Producer—Large size of berries account for high yield of NUMBER ONE fruit.

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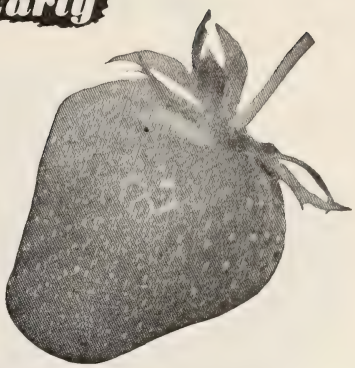
BLAKEMORE

Early



● FAVORITE EARLY VARIETY OF GROWERS FROM NORTH CAROLINA TO SOUTHERN PENNSYLVANIA.

BLAKEMORE continues to enjoy the popularity of growers from North Carolina as far North as Southern Pennsylvania. BLAKEMORE has the better qualities of its parents—Premier and Missionary—and is a sturdy, heavy producer of firm, fine shipping berries from an abundant fruiting bed.

RAYNER'S YELLOWS FREE STRAIN is your assurance of bigger profits from finer, firmer fruit.

Abundant Growth—Under practically all conditions and soils, BLAKEMORE will make abundant growth free from leaf troubles. Need thinning on very rich soils to produce larger berries.

Uniform Size—Very uniform, medium size berries hold up well all season.

Produces Freely—Free bedding habit makes good fruiting row. Dependable year after year.

Long Distance Shipper—One of the firmest varieties. Good skin with light red color that does not darken when overripe. Their fine arrival condition means customer satisfaction and repeat orders.

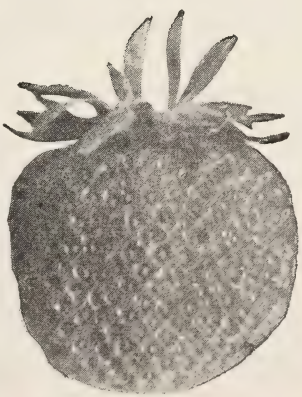
Fine Field Keepers—Fruit may hang on vines two or three days after normal ripening without loss in color and firmness. Minimizes loss from weather delays or picking labor shortages.

Excellent For Freezing And Canning—Medium sub-acid, firm flesh of fine texture, red color.

FOR A COMPLETE FRUIT GARDEN set Blackberries, Raspberries, Boysenberries and Grapes along your garden borders. Require little space but will bring a lot of enjoyment.

DORSETT

A VERY PROFITABLE EARLY VARIETY THROUGHOUT THE EAST CENTRAL AND CENTRAL STATES



Since 1933, DORSETT has been a leading early profit maker throughout the East Central and Central States. Real beauty matched by fine flavor is the secret. Fruit does well in these areas if ordinary care is exercised in picking and shipping. DORSETT'S beauty and high production will repay the grower for the little extra care it may require.

Vigorous Growth—Highly resistant to leaf diseases. Requires very little fertilizer or manure on rich soils.

Large Size—Holds up well with sufficient moisture. Under dry conditions may run smaller in size at end of season.

Finest Flavor—Berries medium light red to center, retaining light color and flavor quality even when full ripe.

Good Producer—Fewer blossoms than Premier, but often outproduces it with larger berries.

Fair Shipper—Fairly firm, but requires careful handling. Highly valued by growers in recommended areas.

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Early

FAIRFAX

The Flavor Favorite of the Early Berries

FIRST CHOICE WITH HOME GARDENERS—A LEADER WHEREVER CHOICE FRUIT IS IN DEMAND.

FAIRFAX is considered the best of all home garden berries because it has all of the qualities you would want for your own table—superb flavor of highest dessert quality—exceptional firmness and a long fruiting season. These same qualities make FAIRFAX a leader with commercial growers, particularly the roadside market and local trade grower who wants a berry with beauty and mouth-watering aroma—a berry that looks good, smells good and tastes GOOD.

FAIRFAX has an unusually wide growing range that makes it most popular with growers throughout the North and a profitable variety as far south as North Carolina. Growers throughout Premier growing areas report excellent results with FAIRFAX and some of the most enthusiastic reports come from the New England States.

Flavorful, firm fruit that will bring the customers back for more is the reward of the grower who includes FAIRFAX in his plantings.

Very Large Size—FAIRFAX size holds up well through exceptionally long fruiting season.

Sturdy Growth—Large plants with beautiful dark green foliage free from leaf spot and scorch.

Fairfax Prices

25 for	$ 1.10
50 for	1.80
100 for	2.90
200 for	5.10
250 for	5.80
300 for	6.50
400 for	7.80
500 for	9.10
750 for	12.10
1000 for	14.50

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Firm Shippers—Firm, even-textured body gives FAIRFAX excellent shipping qualities.

Very Sweet—A berry that requires little or no sugar. Good eating just as it is. Rich, full-bodied flavor and aroma that holds even when berries are over-ripe.

High Yield—Considered the best early yielder by many growers. Clean fruit is supported well off the ground by strong, upstanding stems.

Rich Color—Medium light red berries tend to darken in advanced ripening stage. However, high gloss and beauty remain to identify this unusually good berry.

Frost Resistant—Popularity of FAIRFAX is growing in New England States because it is proving to be a good cropper under unusual weather conditions.

THIS ARKANSAS GROWER PRAISES FAIRFAX

White County, Arkansas, March 5, 1947—The 10,000 Fairfax plants I ordered from you last spring are doing fine and I picked 80 quarts of Fairfax berries from the 25 plants I ordered from you three years ago.
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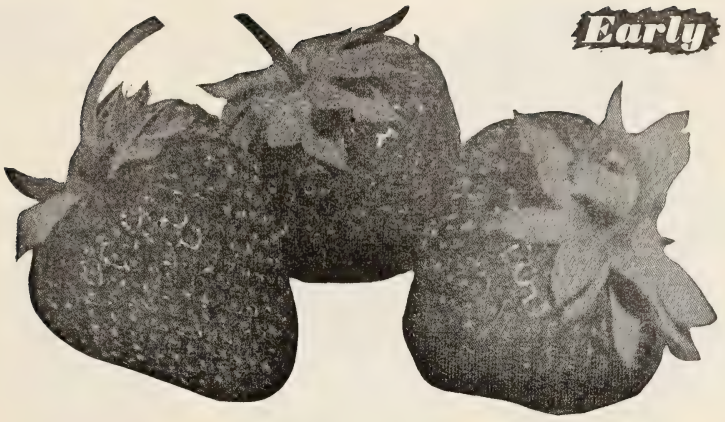


TEMPLE

MOST PROMISING BERRY IN MANY YEARS SAY GROWERS WHO HAVE FRUITED THIS RECENT INTRODUCTION.

GOOD PRODUCER

● **Northern Growers and as far south as North Carolina report excellent production.**

LONG FRUITING

● **As many as 12 pickings over a period of 25 days.**

EXCELLENT FLAVOR

● **The best flavor qualities of its flavor-famous parents, Aberdeen and Fairfax.**

FIRM BEAUTY

● **Buyers at auction blocks paid as much as 25% more for TEMPLE this year. It consistently outsold Premier and Blakemore.**

Temple Prices

25 for	$ 1.00
50 for	1.65
100 for	2.60
200 for	4.55
250 for	5.20
300 for	5.85
400 for	7.00
500 for	8.15
750 for	10.75
1000 for	13.00

Complete Price List and Ordering Information on Pages 46 and 47.

TEMPLE has made more new friendships with berry growers during the last two years than any variety we could mention. Originally introduced as a variety entirely resistant to root diseases, growers who had not been troubled were inclined to ignore the merits of TEMPLE. But like anything really good, the news has spread around.

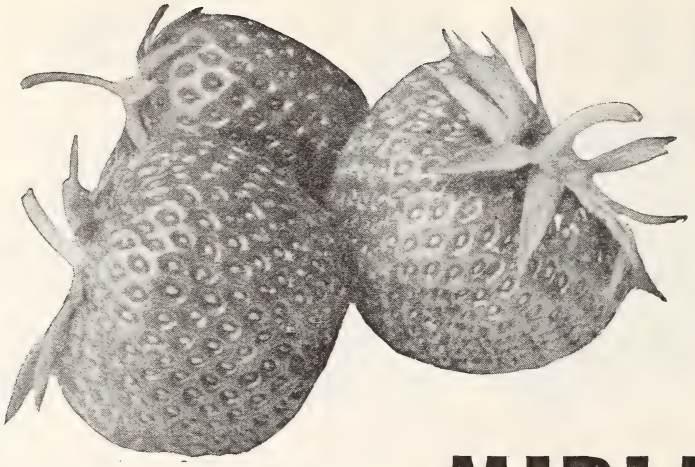
TEMPLE has so many good points in its favor to meet the desires of any berry grower. TEMPLE is a good producer with a long fruiting season that begins the same time as Premier, Dorsett, Blakemore and Fairfax. TEMPLE has the flavor and firmness so often lacking by many good producers. TEMPLE does well where other varieties have failed entirely because of its great resistance to root diseases. TEMPLE can be planted in low, poorly drained soils where the grower might hesitate to plant other varieties. We sincerely believe all berry growers in the TEMPLE growing area should try it.

TEMPLE has excellent frost resistance and is proving adaptable in all areas where Aberdeen and Fairfax are grown. This means an unusually wide growing range that extends through Premier growing states and as far south as North Carolina.

Set In Moist Soil—Does well in moist, poorly drained soil and is also successful in higher, upland soils.

Space Wide In Row—Free bedding habit of TEMPLE suggests spacing wide in row, a minimum of 18 inches and up to 30 inches. Planting too close may cause such dense beds that berry size, yield and quality may be affected.

Use Fertilizer Sparingly—The best practice is an early fall fertilizing with little or no fertilizing in the spring. Heavy spring applications may cause too dense foliage growth.



Early

The Number One Quick-Freezing Strawberry

New MIDLAND

A PREMIER, REDHEART CROSS THAT IS PROVING A HEAVY PRODUCER THROUGHOUT PREMIER GROWING AREAS AND AS FAR SOUTH AS VIRGINIA AND WEST TO MISSOURI

MIDLAND'S popularity is growing by leaps and bounds as more and more hear about its free growing ways and heavy fruit production. MIDLAND gets its free growing habit and fine color from its Premier parent and firmness and quality from Redheart. It is considered the best quick freezing variety in Premier growing areas. Why pay a premium for a good quick freezing berry when you can have this U. S. D. A. cross at regular plant prices?

We have increased our plantings because we know more Premier growers will want to try MIDLAND this year. Would suggest you place an early order as we anticipate a sellout on this variety again this year.

Midland Prices

25 for	$ 1.15
50 for	1.90
100 for	3.00
200 for	5.25
250 for	6.00
300 for	6.75
400 for	8.10
500 for	9.40
750 for	12.40
1000 for	15.00

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Good Plant Maker—Free producer of vigorous plants with large leaves resistant to leaf spot and scorch.

Very Large Berries—Fruit clusters set a large number of uniform berries much larger than Dorsett and twice as large as Blakemore.

Excellent Dessert Quality—Deep red berries are rich and juicy. Flavor is much better than Premier and above most varieties.

Highly Productive—This U. S. D. A. cross has shown high production as far south as Virginia and westward to Missouri and Iowa and northward to Connecticut and Michigan.

Good Shipper—Seeds are even with surface and sometimes slightly raised, giving added protection to a very glossy, firm skin. Ranks high in shipping quality and therefore brings more in berry markets than most popular varieties.

Rayner Grown Plants Guaranteed Hardy in Coldest Climates

Here on Maryland's famous peninsula between the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean, freezing weather does not usually occur until late November and often as late as Christmas time. Our plants show root growth longer than more northerly grown plants. However, during the winter months there is plenty of freezing weather that gives our plants the extra hardiness that fits them for transplanting in the coldest climates. That's why RAYNER'S plants are so popular in Pennsylvania, New York, the New England States and other cold weather sections.

NEW FAIRLAND

Early Midseason
U. S. D. A. 3205

(Illustration from U. S. D. A. Photograph)

● ANOTHER RED-STELE RESISTANT VARIETY PROMISING HIGH PRODUCTION AND GOOD FREEZING QUALITY

FAIRLAND is the latest introduction of the United States Department of Agriculture. Tested as U.S.-3205, this Aberdeen - Fairfax cross promises to merit the wide acclaim that has been accorded Temple, a cross of the same parentage.

FAIRLAND is proving adaptable in Premier growing areas as far north as Vermont and Michigan and south to Virginia, west to Oklahoma and Missouri. Tests have shown FAIRLAND more productive than Temple, Catskill and Premier in some areas.

We are privileged to offer FAIRLAND in limited quantities this year, and we would suggest trial plantings throughout the areas to which adapted.

Very Vigorous—Produces runner plants very freely. Large leaves deep green and cupped. Healthy foliage is usually free of leaf spot and scorch.

Frost Resistant—Flower stalks are short so that the flowers are well protected against frosts by the leaves.

Red-stele Resistant—Tests show it may be considered sufficiently resistant to the disease in all except the most adverse conditions.

Bright Red Berries—Size up with Premier; ripen uniformly with glossy finish and yellow to red seeds complete its beauty. Dessert quality good with slight tartness and aroma.

Good Freezer, Shipper—Not up to Midland in freezing quality, but far above average. A bit less firm than Temple.

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PLANT IN SPRING

STRAWBERRIES, BOYSENBERRIES AND BLACK RASPBERRIES

Because of their growth characteristics these fruits are best when planted in the Spring. Just as early as ground can be worked is the very best time and not later than May 1, except in far North. STRAWBERRIES may also be set in late Fall beginning November 15 in the Southern States.

We ship Strawberry Plants from November 15 to May 15.

PLANT SPRING OR FALL

ASPARAGUS, BLACKBERRIES, BLUEBERRIES, RED RASPBERRIES, RHUBARB AND GRAPES

All of these plants may be set in Spring or late Fall. Spring planting is done as early as ground can be worked and not later than May 1, except in far Northern sections.

Fall planting is done after plants have finished their growing season or become dormant.

We ship these plants beginning around November 1, (or as soon as dormant) and until May 15.

SAVE THIS CATALOG FOR FALL ORDERING!

BIG
YIELDS
BERRIES
PROFITS

Early

Rayner's Surecrop

PREMIER
(or Howard 17)

FAVORITE EARLY BERRY FOR A QUARTER CENTURY

PREMIER is the outstanding early berry over a wide area because it has never been known to make a crop failure since introduction 31 years ago. The vigorous, frostproof PREMIER strain has sired many of the best known commercial varieties including Fairfax, Catskill, Dorsett, Midland and Blakemore.

No early variety has been as universally accepted because of its hardiness, high production, long fruiting season and all round dependability. PREMIER was originated by A. B. Howard Sons and is often sold as HOWARD 17 in the New England States.

RAYNER'S success has been built around our famous strain of PREMIER and the many varieties it has sired. When you purchase RAYNER'S Surecrop PREMIER you are sure of a sure-cropper at its best.

ORDER EARLY!

Premier Prices

25 for	$ 1.00
50 for	1.70
100 for	2.70
200 for	4.75
250 for	5.40
300 for	6.10
400 for	7.30
500 for	8.45
750 for	11.15
1000 for	13.50

Complete Price List and Ordering Information on Pages 46 and 47.

Vigorous Growth—Makes good fruiting bed in all types of soil and no variety has healthier foliage.

Large Berries—Fruit runs large to very large at first pickings. Because PREMIER sets so much fruit, berries will run down in size toward end of season.

Satisfactory Shipper—Berries firm enough for truck shipment but will not stand long refrigeration as will some varieties.

Good Quality—Bright red fruit ripens evenly without green tips and healthy green caps set off natural glossiness to make PREMIER a most attractive market berry.

Great Producer—Year after year, under all conditions, PREMIER is a leader in production of good marketable berries.

Frost Resistant—PREMIER sets so many blooms under tough, heavy foliage that frost cannot damage all blooms, and has never failed to make a crop.

LEADER of Them All

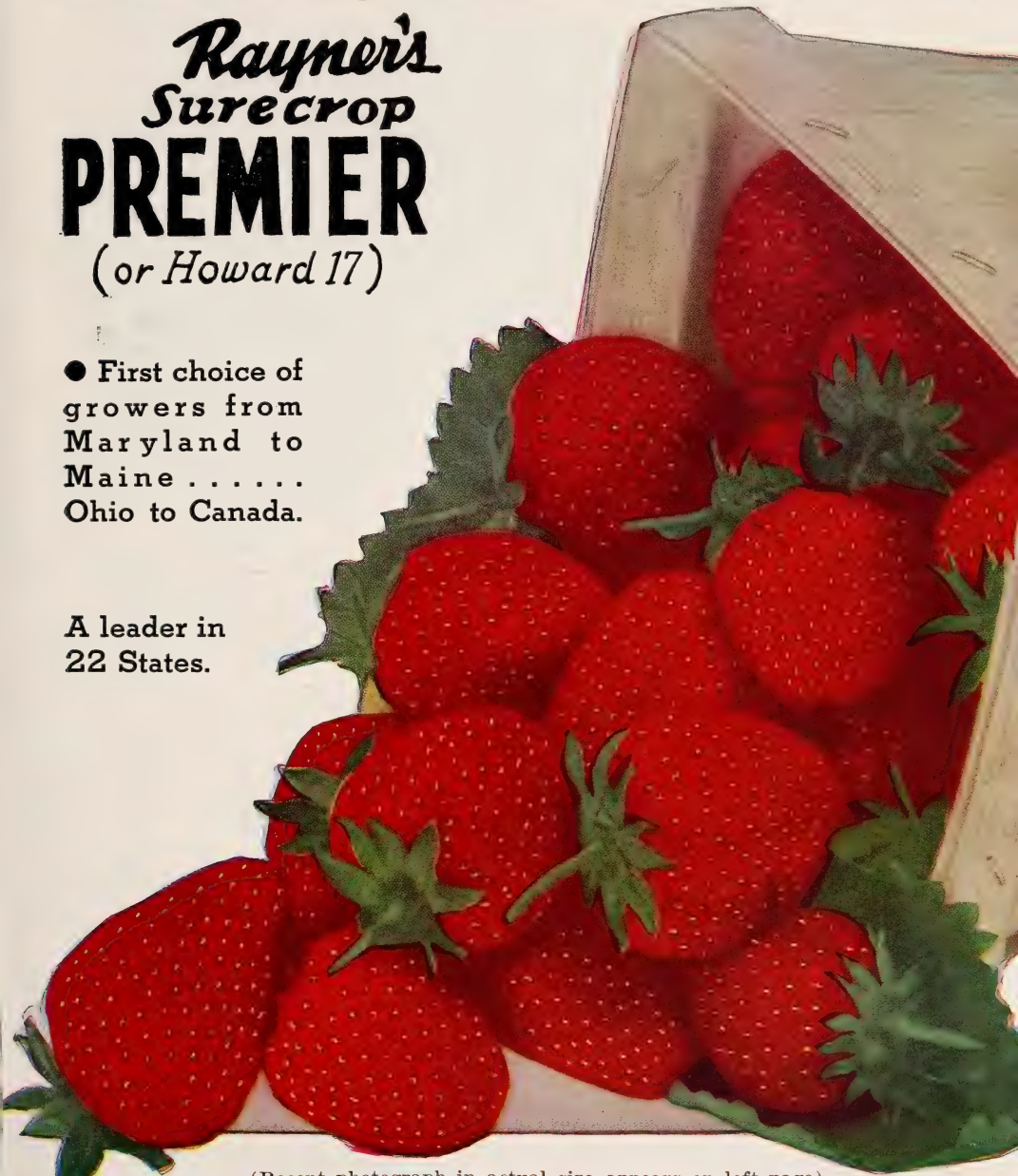
The Most Widely Planted Strawberry Variety

Rayner's Surecrop PREMIER

(or *Howard 17*)

● First choice of growers from Maryland to Maine . . . . . Ohio to Canada.

A leader in 22 States.



(Recent photograph in actual size appears on left page)

PREMIER is recommended as the most dependable early berry by twenty-two State Experiment Stations. PREMIER is the NUMBER ONE strawberry in the New England States, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, Kansas westward to Colorado and Southward to the mountains of North Carolina, Eastern Tennessee, South Carolina and Georgia.

Growers Throughout the North Depend on Rayner's Surecrop PREMIER

Mid-Season

● THE MOST OUTSTANDING MIDSEASON STRAWBERRY

A NATURAL RUNNING MATE WITH PREMIER

Tremendously Large Fruit of Good Flavor

CATSKILL Is The Pride Of Commercial Growers And Home Gardeners

Catskill Prices

25	for	$1.05
50	for	1.75
100	for	2.80
200	for	4.90
250	for	5.60
300	for	6.30
400	for	7.55
500	for	8.75
750	for	11.55
1000	for	14.00

Complete Price List and Ordering Information on Pages 46 and 47.

CATSKILL is another Premier cross that has absorbed the best qualities of its parent. Premier growers consider CATSKILL the ideal variety for continuing a profitable fruiting season, because it comes into fruit just as Premier is tapering off and does equally well under practically all growing conditions.

CATSKILL combines amazing size and excellent flavor into a firm strawberry of rich, dainty flavor. This combination of eye appeal, flavor and firmness attracts top market prices against other midseasons.

CATSKILL is a favorite with roadside fruit stands and local market growers because the enormous strawberries come as a welcome change just as earlier varieties have begun to dwindle in production and size of fruit.

CATSKILL is at its very best in Premier growing areas and is good as far south as Tennessee in higher elevations. CATSKILL fills the bill as a midseason money-maker.

VIGOROUS PLANTS are free from leaf troubles HEALTHY GROWTH produces a good fruiting row on strong sturdy stems. VERY LARGE BERRIES are bright scarlet, as firm as Premier and of better flavor. HEAVY PRODUCTION excels all midseasons and because of large size the total harvest often exceeds Premier.

BIG JOE

A TWENTY YEAR FAVORITE MIDSEASON FROM VIRGINIA NORTHWARD

Until the introduction of Catskill, BIG JOE was the best and most popular midseason variety. And it is still the first choice of many growers because of good success they have enjoyed year after year. BIG JOE ripens just as earlier varieties have finished fruiting and ripens a major portion of crop in three big pickings, usually when large, attractive berries are at a premium. Try Rayner's BIG JOE and you will have BIG JOE at its best.

Abundant Growth—Strong, vigorous plants with unusually healthy foliage in abundance. Fruit stalks strong and upstanding.

Large, Light Red Berries—Fine, full-bodied, tangy flavored berries run large to very large and with sufficient moisture berries size up well to last of crop.

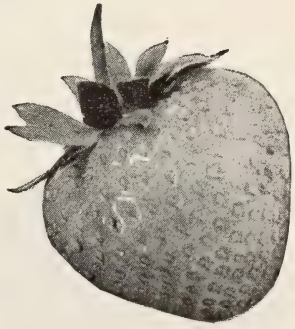
Good Shipper—Berries hold up well and are firm enough for long distance shipping.

Heavy Producer—Under normal conditions, production is very heavy.

Rayner's CHESAPEAKE

• FAVORITE LATE VARIETY WITH MANY GROWERS • THROUGHOUT THE EAST AND NORTHWEST

CHESAPEAKE was a leader in the late varieties until introduction of Fairpeake and Redstar, and is still preferred by many growers who have enjoyed good success with it over a period of many years. However, CHESAPEAKE is not recommended to the inexperienced grower as it is sometimes difficult to get a good fruiting row. To the grower who is familiar with CHESAPEAKE, we offer the very best strain selected for vigor and good plant production. Rayner's CHESAPEAKE strain has a record of good fruiting rows for 10 successive years.



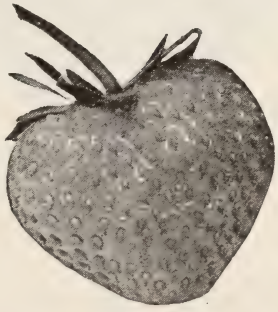
Vigorous Plants—Set in rich well manured soil, CHESAPEAKE responds well to frequent cultivation. Strong, healthy foliage resists leaf spot and scorch, holding up well during fruiting season. Blooms late, escaping late frosts.

Very Large Berries—Hold up well in size throughout season because of natural wide spacing of plants.

Fine Quality—Dark red berries of truly delicious flavor have always made CHESAPEAKE a favorite with home gardeners, local market and commercial grower.

Excellent Shipper—Unexcelled for shipping purposes. Firm berries arrive at market in perfect condition, continually demanding top prices.

Heavy Producer—Although CHESAPEAKE sets less fruit than some varieties its ability to size up the entire crop has made it one of the most productive late varieties.



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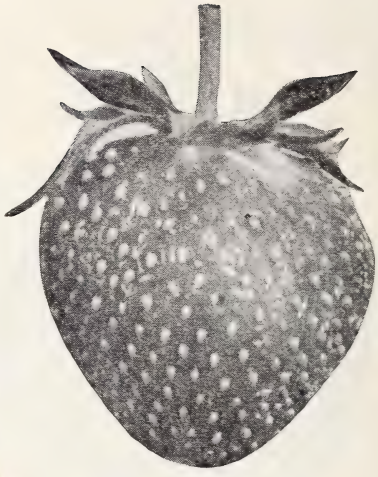
Sparkle

SPARKLE is another Fairfax, Aberdeen cross that is proving worthy of its fine parentage. Resembles Fairfax in appearance and firmness, and color is a slightly dark red so glossy it looks like it is waxed.

SPARKLE has much the quality of Fairfax and as it follows Fairfax in fruiting season it should prove a must with Fairfax growers. One of the best varieties for quick freezing.

Medium to large plants are vigorous and make an abundance of runners. Sets a great number of flowers per cluster and practically all develop into fruit of marketable size. Has the high red stele resistance of its Aberdeen parent.

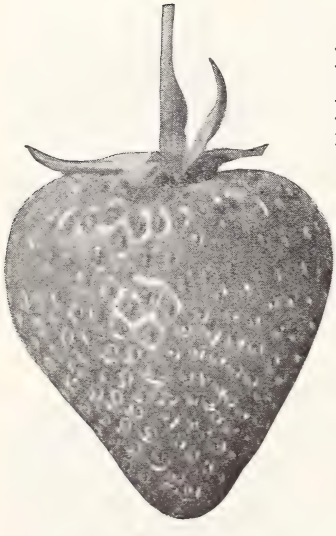
We offered SPARKLE for the first time last season, after observing it for several years. There was an immediate response from growers from New Jersey to Canada who had heard so many favorable reports from this variety. We believe if you are a grower in this area you will want to make a planting of SPARKLE.



BRILLIANT, LATE MIDSEASON EXCELLENT FREEZING VARIETY

Scarlet Beauty

(Or ROBINSON)



NO STRAWBERRY EVER MORE TRULY NAMED

Few varieties have ever received the acclaim that has greeted SCARLET BEAUTY since it originated in Michigan several years ago. Reports indicate that it has outsold all other strawberries in the midseason ripening range in Michigan and it is now being grown throughout the Premier growing states.

SCARLET BEAUTY is truly described by its name. Berries are the most uniformly large of any variety that we offer and the cardinal red color is solid all the way through. Firm skin makes it an excellent shipping berry that will withstand plenty of handling. This firmness means freezing and canning quality, too.

ROBINSON (or SCARLET BEAUTY) is highly productive over a long fruiting season that begins soon after Premier. Large thick fruiting stems with heavy foliage that makes a wide fruiting row. Seems adaptable to a wider range of soils than most varieties and has shown up better in light, sandy dry land soils.

SCARLET BEAUTY is certainly well worth a trial in Premier growing areas. We know you will enjoy its unusual beauty. We believe you will be pleased with the tangy, rich sweet flavor that has made it so popular with northern growers.

RAYNER BROTHERS
PLANTS THAT LEASE

Late

UNFORGETTABLE FLAVOR

New FAIRPEAKE

FAIRPEAKE has won the enthusiastic acceptance of flavor-conscious growers seeking a late berry to match the dessert quality of the earlier fruiting Fairfax. FAIRPEAKE has a double advantage of fine flavor inherited from its parents, Chesapeake and Fairfax. Flavor is considered by many strawberry authorities to be the best of any variety, and FAIRPEAKE has all the essential qualities of a good commercial strawberry — beauty — good size — firmness — and good production.

THE TRUCK GARDENER'S DREAM

Truck gardeners, roadside marketers and other growers who have a select list of customers should add FAIRPEAKE to their plantings. Quality and flavor will merit premium prices until the very last picking.

FAIRPEAKE is recommended throughout the Central and Northern States as far south as Maryland.

Fairpeake Prices

25	for	$ 1.15
50	for	1.90
100	for	3.00
200	for	5.25
250	for	6.00
300	for	6.75
400	for	8.10
500	for	9.40
750	for	12.40
1000	for	15.00

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Vigorous Plants—Resistant to leaf spot and scorch, plants make a good number of runners comparable with Fairfax. Prefers the same moist soil as other late varieties.

Rich Red Berries—Beautiful, medium to large berries, rich red skin and dark green cap.

Flavor Can't Be Beat—Very sweet with best dessert quality, even better than its Fairfax and Chesapeake parents. High aroma.

Good Cropper—Production compares well with other late varieties. Follows Catskill and Sparkle to provide an unusually long and profitable berry harvest.

Excellent Marketer—Firm-textured berries enable FAIRPEAKE to arrive at market looking its best.

ORDER EARLY! VERY SHORT SUPPLY.

New

Late

RED STAR

VERY LATE FRUITING OF EXCEPTIONAL BEAUTY AND DESSERT QUALITY FROM MARYLAND TO MAINE, WEST TO MISSOURI.

REDSTAR fills a definite need for an extra late variety of very high quality. A cross of Fairfax and Chesapeake it has acquired the large size and excellent flavor of its parents but is much more vigorous in formation of fruiting row than Chesapeake. Ripens latest of all regular varieties to give the berry grower an exceptionally long fruiting season. Beauty, flavor and firmness make it equally ideal for the commercial grower, truck gardener or home use.

Latest Contribution To A Longer More Profitable Strawberry Season

Redstar Prices

25	for	$ 1.15
50	for	1.90
100	for	3.00
200	for	5.25
250	for	6.00
300	for	6.75
400	for	8.10
500	for	9.40
750	for	12.40
1000	for	15.00

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Vigorous Grower—Healthy plants, spot and scorch resistant, always develops a good fruiting row. When planted in moist soils (as all late varieties should be) REDSTAR is a heavy producer.

Very Large Berries—Hold size well to end of season. Generally cone shaped, sometimes varying and furrowed.

Bright, Glossy Red—Light bright red berry, with light green cap and protruding yellow seeds makes an unusually attractive package.

Rich Flavor—Quite tart until fully ripe. Dessert quality compares with the best.

Excellent Shipper—Very firm berry with extra protection of raised seeds. Well suited to handling and shipping.

Good Canner—Firm flesh retains shape perfectly in preserving and canning. Good home garden variety.

An Offering of Some New Varieties and Some Old Familiar Ones . . .

LUPTON (Late). This is an excellent late shipping berry in Chesapeake growing areas (see Chesapeake page). Makes a better fruiting bed for some growers than does Chesapeake. Berries are firm and very similar in appearance, flavor and general qualities to Chesapeake.

WM. BELT (Late). Often we receive inquiries from old strawberry growers who want to know if we have "that good old William Belt". We are continuing to offer an excellent strain of this fine old Northern variety. Berries are large, attractive and of unusual flavor. Firm enough for local market.

AMBROSIA (Very Late). AMBROSIA'S firm, large berries are proving increasingly popular with growers of Premier, Catskill, Aberdeen and Pathfinder who are seeking a good late berry. Quality of fruit is good, but slightly tart. Plants make an excellent stand for a late variety and up to this time has shown good frost resistance.

SENATOR DUNLAP (Midseason). Dunlap is one of the most popular varieties in the Upper Mississippi Valley States of Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Iowa and Kansas. An excellent canning variety, it is widely grown for commercial and home garden use. So vigorous that it seems to grow most anywhere, it sets a bumper crop of fine quality, dark red berries. Our Dunlap is from a strain of consistently good producers.

STARBRIGHT (Midseason). STARBRIGHT is a Chesapeake, Fairfax cross that is preferred by many growers in the belt from Virginia to New Jersey and westward to Kansas and Iowa. Large berries are of unsurpassed dessert quality and are firm, very good shippers. Big plants are free from leaf spot and scorch.

Favorites of Many Growers

GANDY (Very Late). Many growers order GANDY year after year because it is very productive in moist, springy soil and blooms extra late, escaping late frosts. Medium large berries, firm, attractive, slightly acid. Good plant maker but requires more fertilizer than most varieties. If GANDY is grown in your area, let us supply your plant needs.

PEARL (Very Late). This variety is very similar to Gandy, but some growers tell us it proves more vigorous and productive. If you have been growing Gandy, perhaps a trial of PEARL would prove worthwhile.

PATHFINDER (Midseason). An excellent local market variety highly productive of large, light red berries of good quality and flavor. Very similar to Aberdeen in appearance and fruiting, but is considered more vigorous in light or dry soils. PATHFINDER is recommended from New Jersey, northward. Highly immune to red stele root disease, and a consistenly heavy producer. Very popular with market gardeners who raise strawberries for local market.

Many growers have a favorite strawberry variety that particularly appeals to their taste or that does unsually well on their land. It is our desire to furnish as many of these varieties as we possibly can. If you are in the market for any of the varieties listed on this page you may be assured you will receive top quality plants. Lack of space necessitates that we limit our descriptions.

MOST POPULAR Southern Varieties BEST KNOWN

The warmer climate and shorter dormant season in many of the Southern States necessitates that special varieties be planted by strawberry growers in these localities. Rayner Brothers offer the best known commercial varieties to the Southern grower who is seeking high quality in disease free plants of superior fruiting strain.

KLONDYKE

Rayner's New Improved

A fine early commercial berry that is number one with growers in South Carolina and widely grown as far south as Texas and in many of the South Central States. A leader in Louisiana. KLONDYKE is beautiful to behold with its vigorous growth of unusually clean foliage. Berries are medium large, smooth and uniform bright red. Firm, excellent shipping qualities make KLONDYKE in top demand at Southern berry auctions. Rayner's NEW IMPROVED KLONDYKE is a favorite with successful berry growers.

MISSIONARY

First In Florida

An old dependable shipping variety that is grown almost exclusively in Florida because it requires a very minimum dormant season and is so firm that it carries in excellent condition to distant markets. Does well in all types of soil, especially lighter types. Medium size fruit is rather tart, dark red and very attractive. A heavy producer. We are privileged to supply many of Florida's largest growers with our superior strain MISSIONARY plants.

AROMA

Popular Shipping Berry

AROMA has been a real money maker for growers in the South and South Central States who have found it fills the need for a good late shipping berry. Entire crop sizes up well with very firm, large, bright, attractive berries on plants of fair vigor that are at their best on moist, well-drained soil.

FINE PLANTS

Columbus County, N. C., March 19, 1947

Received our berry plants today, and have set them. They were fine plants and in good condition.

Leon Inman

KLONMORE

A Blakemore-Klondyke Cross Very Popular In Louisiana

Many of our customers in Louisiana will have nothing but KLONMORE because this cross of Klondyke and Blakemore is preferred by the berry buyers. Has most desirable characteristics of both parents. Very vigorous grower, productive of blunt cone shaped berries, light red color, firm and excellent shipper. We would recommend a trial planting to growers throughout the Klondyke growing area.

SUWANEE

A Real Southern Table Berry

SUWANEE is proving to have a very wide growing range that makes it a very dependable table berry for Southern gardens. We do not believe the full range of SUWANEE'S adaptability has been established and would recommend trial plantings in Mississippi, Louisiana and throughout the deep South and northward to Virginia. Vigorous, free growing plants produce fruit of unusually delicious flavor to fill the need for a good dessert berry in the South.

RAYNER PLANTS CURED TROUBLES

MR. JOE BLOUNT, Prominent Berry Grower from **HORRY COUNTY, S. C.,** Says:

"We were constantly troubled with poor strawberry plants until we started ordering from Rayner Brothers. Every year more growers from this section send their orders to Rayners because they have seen for themselves that these plants do best".

BEST PLANTS EVER SEEN

Cherokee County, S. C., April 15, 1947

In the past I have ordered plants from several plants growers, but the plants from you were the nicest I have ever seen. Thanks again and I could not praise your plants high enough.

M. N. Petty

LIVED 100%

Columbus County, N. C., April 7, 1947

The plants I received from you are looking fine, they lived 100%.

A. D. Cox

What Everyone Should Know About

Everbearing Strawberries

Everbearing strawberries are perhaps often misunderstood because the name — Everbearing — in itself is somewhat misleading.

When a Strawberry variety is listed as an Everbearing, this indicates that more than one crop per season may be expected. All Everbearing varieties make a Spring fruiting as do regular Strawberry varieties. But, in addition, Everbearing varieties will blossom again after recovering from the strain of the Spring fruiting and will produce fruit beginning in August and continuing until the first freeze.

We are anxious that our customers understand several important characteristics of Everbearing Strawberry varieties:

1. While the Spring fruiting of Everbearing varieties compares favorably in volume with regular Strawberry varieties, the Fall fruiting does not usually produce a considerable volume of fruit at one time. The fruiting is often spread over a period of as much as 90 days. For this reason we sincerely recommend that at least 100 Everbearing plants be set for average family use. (This is not an attempt to sell you more Everbearing plants than you need, but we know from experience it is folly to suggest planting Everbearers in dozen lots or minor quantities because there would not be enough fruit at one time for table use. We offer Everbearing in quantities as small as 25 plants to enable you to plant a variety selection).

2. Everbearing Strawberry plants are usually a disappointment when planted in hot climates and lowlands where hot, sultry days and comparably warm nights are the general rule over a major part of the summer. Strawberries are essentially a cool weather fruit (most regular varieties are June bearing). Therefore, in sections south of Maryland the early Fall fruiting of Everbearers is not usually satisfactory. Everbearers are best adapted to States north of Virginia or in altitudes and areas where summer nights are generally cool.

3. Everbearing Strawberry plants should be set in soil with plenty of humus (soil that holds moisture) so that the drain of blossoming and fruiting in early Fall, when dry weather is often prevalent, will not prove too severe on the plants.

4. Everbearing Strawberry plants should not be allowed to fruit until well established. The usual practice is to keep all blossoms picked off until around July 1, or until growth is well advanced.

Everbearers can be a world of fun. If you live in a climate adapted to them you will be pleased with their delightful novelty. Fresh Strawberries from your own garden in October are truly a breath of Springtime. We repeat — if you live in an area suited to Everbearing, plant them — if in doubt, make a trial planting before investing too heavily.

EVERBEARING VARIETIES ARE DESCRIBED ON THE NEXT TWO PAGES

Fruit in September

FROM MARCH AND APRIL PLANTINGS OF EVERBEARING VARIETIES

There is no special magic to having Strawberries the same year you set your plants. Plant Everbearers as early in Spring as you can. Then keep the blossoms picked off until the plants become firmly established and are making good growth (usually around the first part of July). Then leave the blossoms on for fruiting and that proud day when you can announce to family and friends that you have fresh Strawberries in your own garden, just waiting to top a bowl of cereal, a shortcake or a smothering of cream.

GEM — RELIABLE HEAVY PRODUCER

GEM is an everbearer that has stood the test of time. Many Everbearing varieties have been introduced since GEM but it continues to be tops in popularity because it is adapted to a wider range of soils than most Everbearers. GEM is an amazing plant maker and can be depended upon to set an abundance of runner plants that become hardy, vigorous specimens and producers of fruit in an unusually short time. GEM is a favorite with commercial growers because it sets a really worthwhile fruit crop in the Fall when Strawberries are in the luxury class, and makes a satisfactory Spring crop, too.

IDEAL FOR HILL SYSTEM — WAYZATA — BEST FLAVORED EVERBEARER

WAYZATA can be termed the "luxury Everbearer" because it is grown only by gardeners who want the very best in Everbearing Strawberry flavor and are willing to pay the extra premium for these plants. WAYZATA (also known as Rockhill) is ideal for hill system planting as it does not produce runner plants, as do all other varieties, but the mother plant produces numerous new crown plants. The fruit is a delightful red and the large Strawberries are something truly delicious. WAYZATA is well adapted for producing a large berry crop in a very small space. A limited supply necessitates that we offer WAYZATA in very limited quantities.

A Full Crop in June

AND FRUIT AGAIN FROM . . . . SEPTEMBER UNTIL FREEZING WEATHER

MASTODON GROWN OVER WIDER AREA THAN ANY OTHER VARIETY

Everbearers will give you a nice June crop the second year, just like any regular Strawberry variety. Then, after resting awhile from their fruiting effort they will be ready again to produce blossoms, and just at the time when fresh berries would be a welcome treat you will have these luscious ripe Strawberries to put new zest in October and November appetites. Plant Everbearing — plant some regular varieties, too — and reap fullest enjoyment from your Strawberry Garden.

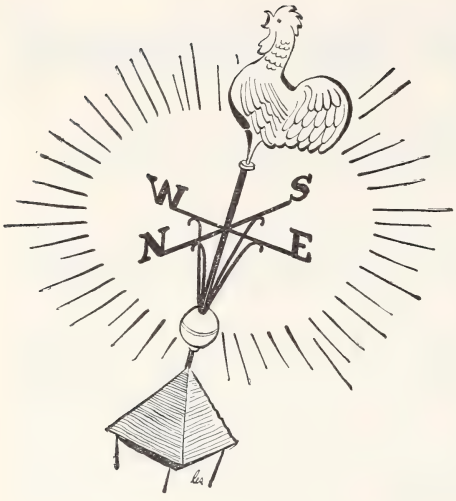
MASTODON is another Everbearing variety that has shared the popularity spotlight with Gem. Many growers regard both of these varieties so highly that they devote an equal share of their plantings to each. MASTODON is a Spring cropper with a yield equal to many regular Strawberry varieties, and the late summer, Fall fruiting makes it a truly great Everbearer. MASTODON is also a grand plant maker and sets a good row to support the fruiting of large, fine-flavored berries.

Mastodon supply very limited. We must reserve right to substitute Gem if necessary.

STREAMLINER

Most Publicised New Everbearing Strawberry

More has appeared in the printed word on STREAMLINER during the past year than any Everbearing. And there seems to be much to justify the praise this new variety has received. STREAMLINER is proving an unusually heavy producer with many growers and the berries are large and very sweet. It has been our observation that it is not a very heavy plant maker, but the plants support a large amount of fruit. If you are an Everbearing Strawberry enthusiast, we think you should try STREAMLINER. We have them for the "early - bird" orderers, but our supply is very limited.



North, South, East and West

Rayner's Plants Meet the Test

Throughout the Eastern United States, Rayner's plants have a reputation for highest quality. Folks on the Pacific Coast and Middle West like them, too, and write to tell us so.

EXCELLENT IN CALIFORNIA

Sonomo County, California, March 15, 1947
The plants are very good and are doing excelent.
Phillip Ono

PLANTS PROVE GOOD

Nicholas County, West Virginia, April 1, 1947
I have bought plants from you before and find them to be good plants, and we had a good crop of berries from them.
Arta A. Murphy

PLEASED WITH SERVICE

San Diego County, California, Dec. 15, 1947
Plants arrived in excellent state, and were in ground soon after. Frankly, I was agreeably surprised how outstandingly well you attended this small order, and I trust results will be equally pleasing.
Mrs. Jos. D. Glass

NICE PLANTS

Floyd County, Iowa
Thanks for the extra plants. They were all nice.
Carl Erikson

WONDERFUL GROWTH

Mercer County, Penna., Nov. 19, 1947
I was well pleased with the plants you sent me and they made a wonderful growth this summer.
James R. Leach

DELIGHTED WITH RESULTS

Union County, New Jersey, Oct. 16, 1947
In 1945 I bought 75 strawberry plants from you and I have been delighted with the results. I did not let them bear the first year, but this summer, from about the first of June until the 4th of July I had a continuous crop of very large and delicious berries.
Mrs. Charles H. Bunn, Jr.

WONDERFUL BERRIES

Washington County, Maryland, Jan. 30, 1947
I am sending you a small order for berries, I have grown your berries before and have had wonderful berries.
Mrs. Albro Scott

GOOD SUCCESS

Montgomery County, Penna., March 20, 1947
Just to let you know that I am very satisfied with your plants and have done well for two seasons, so I am ordering again.
Broder P. Spangenberg

ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY

Monroe County, Indiana, February 25, 1947
Last year, as usual, I ordered plants and trees from a number of nurseries. I will say that the only case that was entirely satisfactory in every particular was the ones from you.
B. F. Mason

NEVER HAD NICER PLANTS

Susquehanna County, Penna., April 15, 1947
I set some of your cold storage plants (Catskill) last spring rather late and I never had nicer plants so I want to be sure of getting the same kind.
Mrs. Charles Smith

GOOD ROOT SYSTEM

Montgomery County, Penna., March 3, 1947
I think your plants are wonderful, healthy and a good root system.
Mrs. George S. Meyers

GOOD CROP EXPECTED

Ashland County, Ohio, March 5, 1947
We were pleased with the plants we received from you last year and expect a good crop this year.
Mrs. H. F. Kreider

HEARD EXCELLENT THINGS

Newport County, Rhode Island, March 4, 1947
I have heard excellent things about your strawberries, and am looking forward to receiving these plants.
Rev. Carl B. Bare

ALL PLANTS NUMBER ONE CONDITION

Clinton County, Penn., March 3, 1947
All the plants I received from you previously have been received in number one condition. Would like to have plants shipped around April 10.
Mrs. Grace DeLong

BEST ROOT SYSTEM EVER PURCHASED

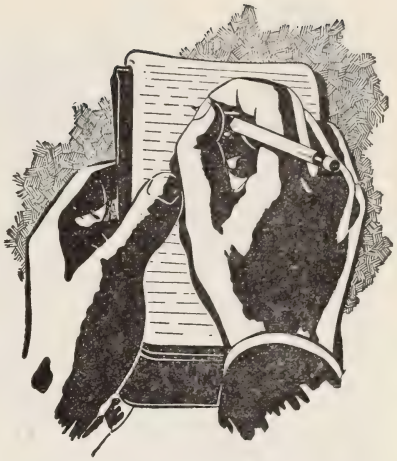
King and Queen County, Virginia, April 22, 1947
Plants recently received from you arrived in excellent order and have the best root system of any plants I ever purchased.
Herbert Blunt

PLANTS DOING FINE

Bristol County, Massachusetts, April 18, 1947
Strawberry plants received yesterday and set out. Thank you so much for quick service. The Wm. Belts I got last year are coming fine.
Anna D. Edwards

Good Plants and Good Service

Say These Satisfied Users



It is indeed gratifying to receive so many nice letters from our customers. We are quoting a few of them on these pages.

MOST SATISFACTORY AND COURTEOUS

Bergen County, New Jersey, June 2, 1947

We have only placed a few small orders with you so that it is doubtful if you have made a dollar profit from them. However, we would like you to know that of all seed, nursery stock and plant men with whom we have dealt you are by far the most satisfactory and courteous.

J. Stewart Crawford

$58.50 SALES FROM 100 PLANTS

Bergen County, New Jersey, May 22, 1947

We bought 100 Mastodon strawberries from you and I want to tell you how pleased we have been with them. Last June I sold 90 quarts of the berries for 65c a quart, besides all I gave away to neighbors, friends and relatives and had plenty for our table. We have berries until after Election Day or until they freeze.

Mrs. Ida Perini

SALES MORE THAN $1.00 PER PLANT SET

Kent County, Rhode Island, April 3, 1947

The 100 Dorsetts I bought from you in 1945 gave me in 1946 the finest crop of fancy berries I have ever grown. I sold $102.65 worth, plus 4 quarts used for the house. The only other variety to give me more profit was Maytime. For 100 plants set out of this variety I sold $118.20, plus 10 quarts used at home. Robinson was largest I ever fruited. I had 2 quarts of the largest of these that had only 15 berries each quart. This variety is superior to Red Star. It makes more plants and produces more. My last picking of Robinson was July 9.

Albert Potvin

PROMPT ATTENTION

Macon County, Illinois, March 28, 1947

I received the plants in good shape and thank you for your prompt attention to my order.

Hazel K. Hedrick

BEST EVER HAD

Coshocton County, Ohio, April 1, 1947

I got Fairfax berry plants from you several years ago and thought they were the best we ever had.

Edgar Kincely

BEST BERRIES THEY EVER ATE

Harford County, Maryland, March 24, 1947

I had a patch of Catskill strawberries and everyone that got them from me told me they were the best berries they ever ate.

Mrs. Anna K. Gilbert

ENTIRELY PLEASED

Los Angeles County, California, March 18, 1947

Enclosed is a postal note for 55c to cover postage due you on my shipment of plants, with which I am entirely pleased.

Miss Myrtle Odin

PICKED OVER QUART PER PLANT

Greenbrier County, W. Virginia, March 18, 1947

I have such a nice patch that I want some more. Of the 800 I ordered I picked over 200 gallons last year.

Isaac Cochran

EVERY ONE GROWING

Queens County, New York, May 2, 1947

Accept my thanks for the lovely strawberry plants you sent me. Every one of the plants I bought from your are growing. I will recommend you whenever I can.

Mrs. A. Loerch

80 QUARTS FROM 25 PLANTS SET

White County, Arkansas, March 5, 1947

The 10,000 Fairfax I ordered from you last spring are doing fine and I picked 80 quarts of Fairfax from the 25 plants I ordered from you three years ago.

A. J. Liles

BERRIES SOLD THEMSELVES

Bristol County, Massachusetts, February 18, 1947

The plants that we received from you proved very satisfactory and the flavor of the Starbright and Fairfax was delicious. After selling a few boxes they sold themselves.

Frank Taylor

BLUEBERRIES HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL

Allegheny County, Penna., January 25, 1947

Have had good success with the blueberry plants bought of your firm several years ago. From one plant (Rubel) this past season I picked 9½ quarts. Of the six varieties I have I liked Rubel and Jersey best.

H. L. Donnell

WELL PLEASED

Lancaster County, Penna., April 2, 1947

Was well pleased with shipment last year. The plants reached me in fine shape.

Reuben Hummer

RASPBERRIES

Rayner's DEPENDABLE

FOR BIGGER CROPS

EXTRA VIGOR GROWTH PROFITS

Raspberries are an ideal crop for the fruit grower who lives near a good market. The fact that raspberries do not ship as well as other fruits is a real advantage to the fruit grower who can supply fresh, ripe berries of superior quality and flavor to his own local trade.

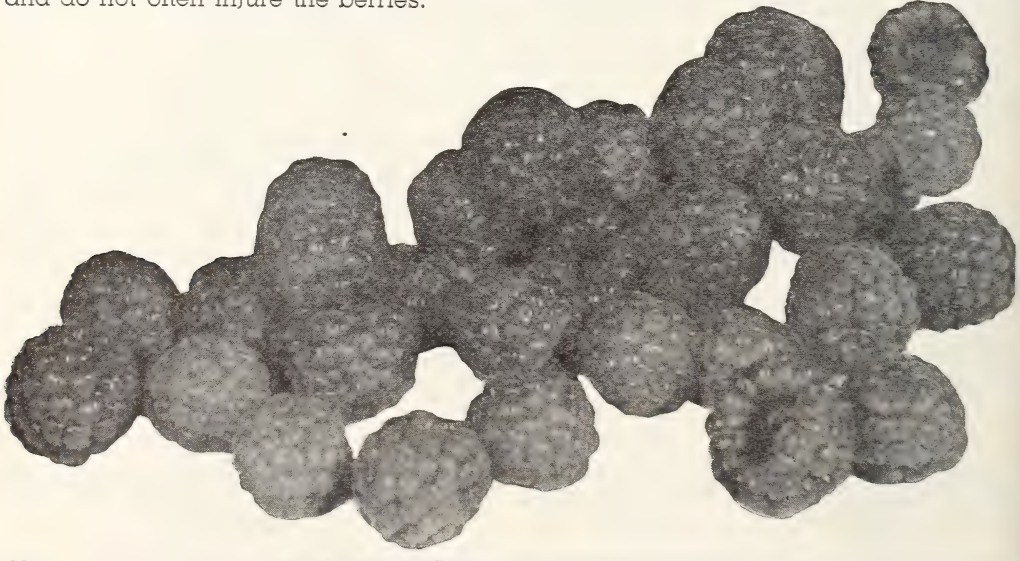
Your own plantings of raspberries will bring that dainty, fresh off the vine quality right to your table. Raspberries at their best, with all their firm ripe juiciness are raspberries from your own plants.

LATHAM—Most Popular Red Raspberry. LATHAM is the favorite of the red varieties and is unexcelled as a midseason to late bearing raspberry. Thrives under a wide range of conditions and is particularly popular in colder sections because of extreme hardiness and ability to withstand very low temperatures. LATHAM produces a good crop in all raspberry bearing localities. Fruit is large, firm and of beautiful rich red color. Production often exceeds 5,000 quarts per acre.

MORRISON—Outstanding New Black Raspberry. This new black variety originated in northern Ohio and is proving popular throughout raspberry growing areas. Very large, jet-black fruit is of fine flavor and considered less seedy than other sorts. Plants are strong, highly productive and have excellent disease resistance. MORRISON is quickly gaining the reputation of being the best Black Raspberry of the late fruiting varieties, and is being widely planted in the northern half of the Country.

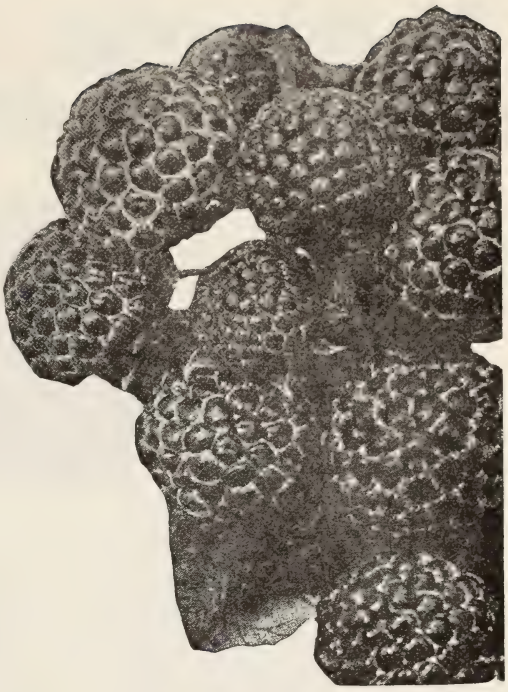
EASY TO GROW

Soil should be given the same thorough preparation for a raspberry plantation as for corn or similar crops. For home gardens the chicken yard is frequently a desirable place for a raspberry patch. Poultry keep down weeds and enrich the soil, and do not often injure the berries.



CUMBERLAND—Old Favorite Black Cap. No other Black Raspberry has been as widely planted as CUMBERLAND and it is still the choice of many home and commercial growers because it has stood the test of time. No other Black Raspberry has been grown as extensively as CUMBERLAND. A very dependable heavy cropper of large fruit, firm, sweet, fine quality and attractive jet-black color. This highly productive midseason ripens most of crop in about two weeks.

INDIAN SUMMER—Best Red Everbearer. Not just our opinion but it is generally agreed that INDIAN SUMMER is the really outstanding Everbearing Red Raspberry. Fruit is high quality, large and of medium red color with a good flavor. Season is long, starting a day or two later than regular varieties. The fall crop commences early and continues until hard frost with heaviest fall production twenty to thirty days after first fall fruiting. Tremendous June crop. Plants are vigorous, upright, hardy, healthy and productive.



Price List *Rayner's Certified* Raspberry Plants

	6	12	25	50	100	250	500	1,000
Latham, 1 Yr., No. 1	$1.80	$2.60	$4.10	$7.10	$12.35	$26.80	$43.10	$75.00
Indian Summer, 1 Yr., No. 1	1.80	2.60	4.10	7.10	12.35	26.80	43.10	75.00
Cumberland, 1 Yr., No. 1	1.45	2.10	3.30	5.70	9.90	21.40	34.50	60.00
Morrison, 1 Yr., No. 1	1.45	2.10	3.30	5.70	9.90	21.40	34.50	60.00

Success With Raspberries

Raspberries are natives of cool climates and there are few plantations south of Virginia, Tennessee and Missouri. Cultivation is limited largely to the northern part of the United States and extensive commercial shipments are from western Maryland, southern New Jersey, New York, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon and other states in the northern half of the United States.

Raspberries succeed on a wide range of soil types provided suitable moisture conditions prevail. A fine, deep, sandy loam is perhaps the most desirable soil for growing raspberries because it is managed so easily. Equally good yields, however, may be secured on clay and sandy soils if they are well managed.

A good crop of berries may be expected from plants the year after they are set and a full crop the second year after planting. It is highly important that only the best grade of nursery stock be used and Rayner Brothers have exercised extreme care in selecting plants of the very highest quality propagated in one of the best Raspberry growing sections in the Country.

PLANTING—Plants should be set in the early spring in the eastern part of the United States, due to usually higher prevalence of natural moisture in the soil. FULL CULTURE DIRECTIONS will be sent with your order.

Blackberries

Plant Them Along the Fence Line or in That Extra Corner

Blackberries ripen in July to fill an important part in keeping a continuous supply of garden fresh fruit on the table. Eaten just as they are with cream, the rich juicy flavor of the cultivated blackberry is a delectable dish, and in a pie or as blackberry dumplings they are superb.

Blackberries can have a part in your plantings — along drain trenches or along the back of the lot. And blackberries can be an important fruit crop, too, if you are a market gardener or operate a roadside stand. Get ready for a bumper crop from your own plantings. Set RAYNER'S hardy plants. FULL GROWING DIRECTIONS INCLUDED WITH YOUR ORDER.

BLACKBERRY PRICES NO. 1 PLANTS

6 Plants—$1.45	**12 Plants—$2.10**
25 Plants—$3.30	**100 Plants—$9.90**

Boysenberries

Highest Quality Thornless

The boysenberry is a hybrid fruit produced by crossing the blackberry, loganberry and raspberry. The result has brought a berry of tremendous size — often more than two inches long — and of such unusually delicious flavor that description is indeed difficult. If you like blackberries you will just love these giant, wine-colored beauties.

An unusually large yielder, berries hold up well for local market. Practically seedless, juicy, delicious — be sure to include some Boysenberries in your fruit garden.

Bearing Age Plant Prices

6 Plants—$2.95	**12 Plants—$4.75**
25 Plants—$8.00	**100 Plants—$25.00**

1 Yr. No. 1 Boysenberry Plant Prices

6 Plants—$2.05	**12 Plants—$2.95**
25 Plants—$4.65	**100 Plants—$14.05**

Enjoy The Tender Freshness Of

ASPARAGUS

From Your Own Plantings Year After Year

Asparagus is one of the first vegetables to make appearance in the Spring and its succulent, green stalks are a welcome change to the table. Because of its earliness, asparagus can be depended upon to realize a profit and there is an ever increasing demand for canning and freezing. Asparagus is easy to grow and a bed once established will continue to produce heavy crops for 10 to 15 years. 50 to 150 plants are adequate for the family garden. The most important step is to get plants of good quality. Our soil is ideal for developing asparagus roots and you may be assured of extra heavy crowns and strong roots when you buy from Rayner Brothers.

MARY WASHINGTON **Most Popular of All.** This heavy yielding strain, developed by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, is the favorite of commercial growers because it has met the need for a highly productive, rust-resistant variety. MARY WASHINGTON is very early, a strong grower, and produces shoots of the finest quality that run more uniform in size, shape and color than any of the older selections. Asparagus has healthy green color, rich flavor and juicy tenderness.

NEW PARADISE **Preferred for Early Production.** A new variety that has created sensational reports from asparagus growers because in many instances it produces a normal crop one year earlier than other varieties. NEW PARADISE is a sport discovered in a Mary Washington field. Seems to have all of the qualities of Mary Washington including vigorous growth, large stalks and exceptional rust resistance. Present records indicate it will begin volume production sooner and is therefore favored by most home gardeners.

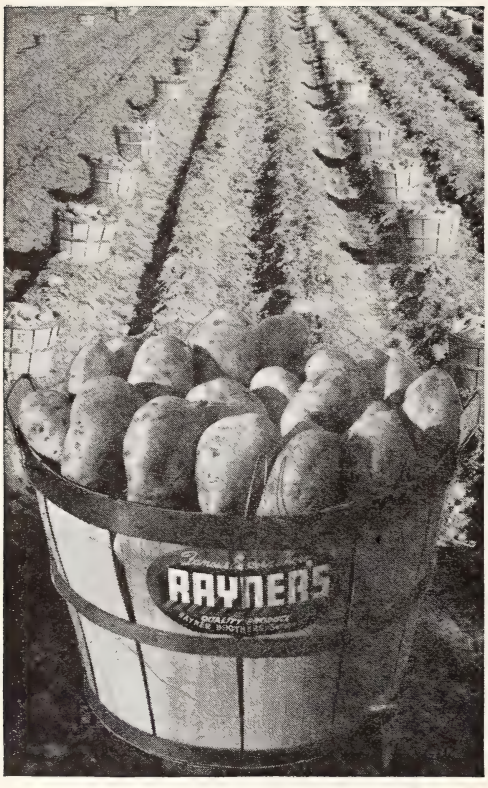
ASPARAGUS PRICES

Big two year roots will produce stalks large enough for cutting the second year and a big crop each year thereafter.

	25	50	100	250	500	1000
2 year No. 1 Roots	$2.05	$3.35	$5.40	$10.80	$16.90	$27.00
1 year No. 1 Roots	1.30	2.15	3.40	6.80	10.65	17.00
Jumbo Super Size Roots	3.50	5.90	9.40	18.80	29.40	47.00

ORDER EARLY. We Will Reserve Plants For Shipment When You're Ready For Them!

PERFECT SOIL FOR DIGGING PLANTS—Our light, sandy soil enables us to dig plants without root injury. The soil is easily removed from the roots so that plants come to you in perfectly clean condition with roots well arranged so that all you need do is set them in the patch without further preparation. That's why growers who know Rely on Rayners.



Maryland Golden Sweet Potato Plants

This variety was developed from a "sport" discovered in this vicinity a number of years ago. Since that time it has become the most popular Sweet Potato variety and a major part of the shipments from this area to northern markets is MARYLAND GOLDEN.

The skin and flesh is of golden color and the quality is excellent for boiling, candied sweets, frying, baking and made into pies or potato bread.

Matures very early, affording the northern gardener the opportunity to harvest a sweet potato crop before cold weather. Satisfactory for storage until mid-winter. A small planting will supply your family requirements.

Sweet Potato Plants
Ready for Shipment May 25th
Order Now!

PRICES

50	100	250	500	. 750	1000
$1.00	$1.50	$3.50	$6.00	$8.00	$10.00

RHUBARB

RHUBARB is a very popular home-garden perennial in areas where the winters are sufficiently cold to freeze the ground to a depth of 3 to 4 inches. It is not adapted to low elevations south of Maryland, but is at its best from Maryland northward.

RHUBARB will thrive on almost any type of soil provided it is well drained, but it should have liberal quantities of manure or fertilizer or both. A few RHUBARB plants well tended make an excellent supply for sauces and pies.

We offer only the MacDONALD RED variety because of its marked superiority. Matures earlier than others. One planting lasts a lifetime. Sweeter and a greater yielder than Linnaeus. Plant in early spring.

MacDONALD RED NO. 1 PRICES

75c Each — 3 for $2.00 — 10 for $6.00

GRAPE VINES

Delicious! Productive! Dependable!

Grapes have been one of the most important fruit crops since Biblical times because they are high in food value and essential minerals as well as outstanding in taste appeal. A few vines will produce a great deal of fresh fruit that is ideal as a fresh dessert and for jam, jellies and juice. A vineyard is an investment in a permanent fruit crop that will bear fruit for your table and as a source of income for a lifetime. Grapes are easy to grow and do not take a lot of space. RAYNER'S grapevines are from fine, sturdy selections.

CONCORD—The Best Blue

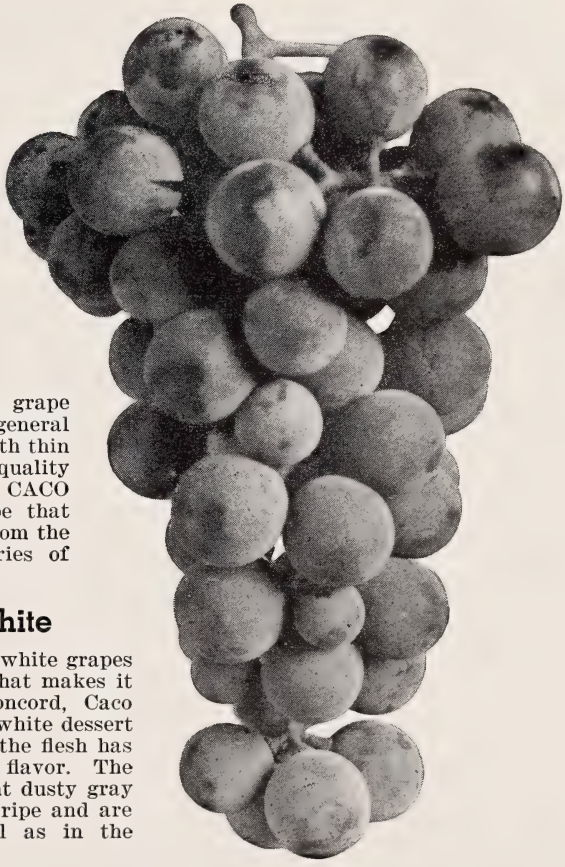
CONCORD originated in Massachusetts more than 100 years ago and is still today the most widely grown of American varieties because it is hardy in many varying climatic conditions. The berries are very dark with an abundant blue bloom. CONCORD is of good dessert quality with a high aroma and firm juiciness that makes it a favorite for the table and juice, jam and jelly. These qualities also make it one of the outstanding commercial varieties.

CACO—The Best Red

CACO is recognized as the best red grape variety because of its extreme vigor and general hardiness. The berries are a light red with thin skin and tender juiciness. The dessert quality is as good as the high aroma suggests. CACO is an excellent home and market grape that does well in the same area as Concord, from the middle South to the Northern boundaries of this Country.

NIAGARA—The Best White

We consider NIAGARA the best of the white grapes because it has the vigor and hardiness that makes it a popular producer throughout the Concord, Caco area and it meets the demand for a good white dessert grape. The skin is thin and tender and the flesh has a juicy sweetness and a strong winey flavor. The berries are of an amber color with a light dusty gray bloom. Grapes hold up well when fully ripe and are therefore popular commercially as well as in the home.



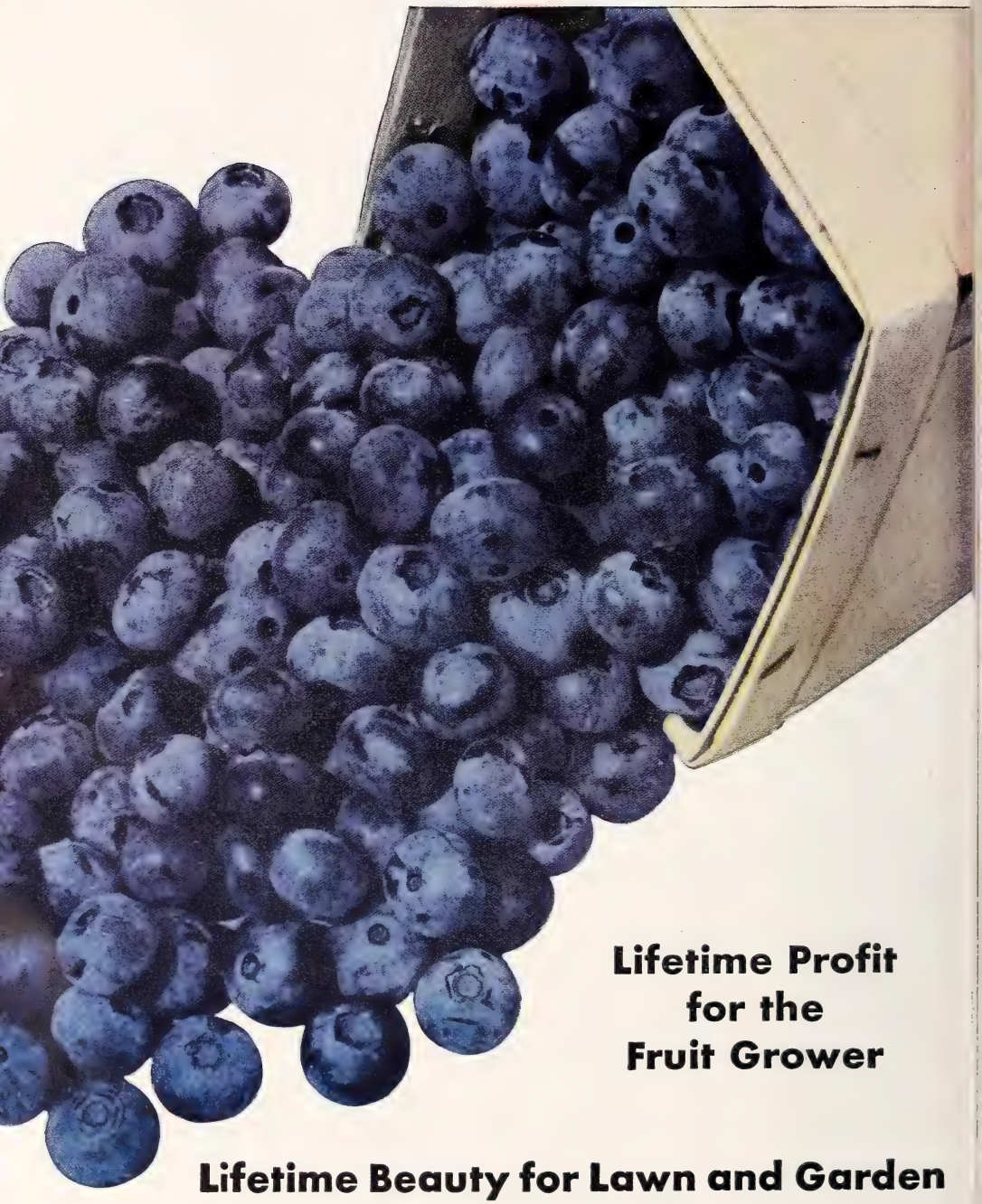
This illustration is considerably smaller than the actual size of the grapes. Photograph was reduced about one-third.

PRICES—2 Yr. No. 1 Vines

Each 55c; 3 vines $1.50; 10 vines $4.05; 25 vines $8.45; 50 vines $14.05; 100 vines $22.50

GRAPES are adapted to all types of soils that are well drained and of average fertility. They do well in practically all climates and thrive in sunny locations or a reasonable amount of shade. **Full planting, pruning and culture directions are included with your order. Grapes should be planted as early as other fruits: Order now!**

Rayner's FAMOUS BLUEBERRIES



Lifetime Profit for the Fruit Grower

Lifetime Beauty for Lawn and Garden

Beautiful Foliage Makes Blueberries Ideal for Lawn Plantings

Gardeners who have delighted in raising Azaleas, Rhododendrons, Laurel and other acid-soil plants consider the cultivated Blueberry a truly great addition to their plantings.

Beautiful foliage and blossoms give lawn plantings a new and novel attraction. Bright red hue of wood in winter blends well with other lawn plantings.

You will find full directions for raising blueberries on your lawn, in garden or other locations listed under Blueberry Culture in this book.

Cultivated Blueberries are a real taste treat — large, beautiful fruit of thrilling flavor that embodies all the better qualities of the wild blueberry. Blueberries are so temptingly beautiful and so good to eat you will find yourself just having a picnic every time you get near a bush laden with fruit.

These Blueberry bushes were heavily laden with fruit when this photograph was made June 20, 1947.

Note the large clusters so clearly evident on the bush nearest camera at the left.

Bushes start production the second year and full production is usually reached by the sixth year.

Mature bushes produce 6 to 8 pints, and with minimum pruning production may be increased to as much as 12 to 20 pints per bush.

Rayner's Leading Giant

BLUEBERRIES

A Full Selection of Superior Hybrids. Your Choice of All The Best Known Varieties

Cultivated blueberries are a new and valuable crop that flourish on acid soils that are generally poor producers of other fruit and vegetable crops. Blueberries lead all bush fruits in profit and one planting lasts a lifetime. Start your plantings now! Our planting directions tell you how.

CABOT (Early, Low Bush). Lowest of all cultivated varieties, bush seldom exceeds four feet in height. An early variety with a long fruiting season. Best in Northern States.

JUNE (Early, Fast Ripening). Liked because it fruits early and ripens entire crop quickly. Medium high bush with medium size fruit. Popular from North Carolina to Maine.

CONCORD (Early Midseason). Medium berries ripen about 2 weeks after Cabot. Tall, vigorous, attractive bush. Sets a tremendous crop of firm fruit with good flavor.

STANLEY (Early Midseason). Tall, vigorous bush with large, thick shiny leaves. Good producer of large berries, considered best flavored of all varieties.

RANCOCAS (Midseason Beauty). Upright bush often exceeds six feet at maturity. A favorite for lawn and garden plantings because of unusual beauty. Good producer of fine flavored fruit.

PIONEER (Midseason). A popular, high producer in States north of New Jersey. Fruit is of medium size, dark blue and of excellent dessert quality.

LATE VARIETIES

JERSEY (Ideal Late Variety). Large, light-blue berries of best shipping quality. Vigorous, fine bush with excellent growth characteristics. Erect, productive, beautiful foliage.

SCAMMELL (Late Variety). A specialty with us, bush is most productive of medium, firm fruit of good flavor. Ships well and is popular for its hardiness from North Carolina northward.

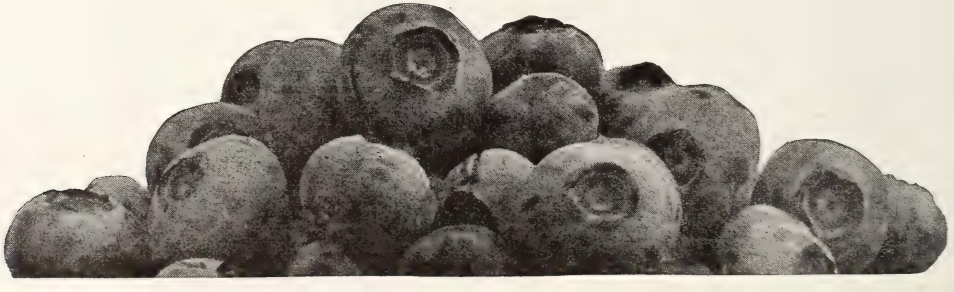
RUBEL (Widely Planted Late). Bush is upright, very vigorous, hardy and productive. Medium fruit, light blue, very firm. Well liked because of its productiveness, firmness and desirable growth characteristics.

PRICES F.O.B. Salisbury, Maryland

Varieties may be combined to take advantage of quantity prices.

	Single Each	3 to 9 EACH	10 to 29 EACH	30 to 99 EACH	100 or more EACH
1 yr. (3-6 in.)	$ .65	$ .60	$ .50	$ .40	$ .35
2 yr. (6-12 in.)	1.25	1.05	.90	.75	.65
3 yr. (12-18 in.)	1.65	1.40	1.20	1.05	.90
3 yr. (18-24 in.)	2.50	2.10	1.80	1.60	1.35

Prices and Descriptions of some recently introduced varieties will be found on the following page.



Latest Introductions

Newest Varieties Offered in Limited Quantities

DIXI Largest Fruit

Produces largest fruit of all varieties on a vigorous bush. Promising for large size, firmness and productiveness. Fine blue color and high aroma add to attractiveness. Late season, slightly before Jersey.

ATLANTIC Next To Dixi In Size

Very vigorous bush, very productive. Large berries of good color, firm, with slight aroma, good dessert quality. A late variety promising for large size, fine color, and for productiveness.

WEYMOUTH Earliest Of All

Dark blue, medium berries lack dessert quality, but should prove very popular commercially because of earliness and quick ripening of entire crop for early market prices.

BURLINGTON Latest Of All

Medium size berries on vigorous, upright bush. Good blue color, firm, aromatic, good dessert quality. Promising for its lateness, color and excellent shipping quality.

PEMBERTON Most Vigorous

Bush considered most vigorous of all varieties. Very productive of large berries, firm with slight aroma and good dessert quality. Liked because of its vigorous bush and large size of berry. Midseason.

PRICES OF VARIETIES ON THIS PAGE

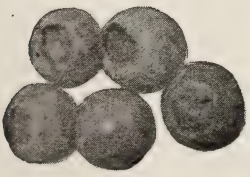
DIXI, BURLINGTON, ATLANTIC, PEMBERTON and WEYMOUTH are available in limited quantities as follows:

	Each	Lots of 3-9 Each	Lots of 10-30 Each
1 yr. 3- 6"	$1.00	$ .90	$ .75
2 yr. 6-12"	1.85	1.60	1.35
3 yr. 12-18"	2.45	2.10	1.80
3 yr. 18-24"	3.75	3.15	2.70

USE THIS GUIDE IN MAKING SELECTIONS

FOR SIZE OF FRUIT—DIXI, ATLANTIC, PEMBERTON, SCAMMELL, JERSEY
FOR DESSERT QUALITY—STANLEY, PIONEER, ATLANTIC, CONCORD, BURLINGTON
FOR COLD RESISTANCE—JERSEY, STANLEY, JUNE, SCAMMELL, RUBEL
FOR SHIPPING QUALITY—JERSEY, BURLINGTON, RANCOCAS, ATLANTIC, RUBEL
(NOTE—COLD RESISTANCE and SHIPPING QUALITY not noted on new varieties because we have not had ample opportunity to check these factors)

YIELDS—Blossoms should be pinched from blueberry plants that have been newly planted to prevent fruiting in order to conserve strength. Plants will begin fruiting the following year and production will increase as the plants mature.



Wild Blueberries and Cultivated Blueberries are compared in size in this actual unretouched photograph.

BLUEBERRIES MAY BE PLANTED IN SPRING OR LATE FALL

Pleasingly Profitable

Easy to Pick - Easy to Pack

A field of blueberries presents a tempting invitation to anyone to get some baskets and start picking, and we have observed that the average berry picker would rather pick blueberries than any other small fruit. There is a minimum of stooping necessary and all of the fruit is within easy reach.

Blueberries are easy to harvest because they are so firm there is no special or particular handling necessary. Grading is a simple matter of seeing that all baskets are well filled before putting on the cellophane cover as there is little or no rotten fruit, and seldom any green fruit removed in picking.

Blueberries, packed as we have illustrated, will ship safely over long distances. An extra nail in each top slat end and the package is ready for either Parcel Post or Express shipment. Flats are made from 19" lengths of 3½" slat and 13" end pieces. These can be made on rainy days or during the slack months. Pint baskets and standard 8¾" cellophane sheets are readily available.

In this picture, 12 flats or 144 pints represent a day's picking by an average picker. Many pickers will harvest 200 pints or more, depending on stage of ripeness. Count it for yourself — 144 pints at 40c per pint — $57.60 — a nice day's return from the harvest of just one picker.

A VALUABLE CROP ON SWAMP-LAND AND ACID SOILS

If you have some low soil or swampland where huckleberries, azaleas, laurel or similar acid soil plants are found growing, this is an excellent indication you can grow blueberries successfully and with good profit. This 20 acre field was planted in similar soil and has paid handsomely over five years of fruiting.

Partial View of a 20-Acre Fruiting Field of Nine Standard Varieties

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Pointers on Planting

We would not be content to merely ship you an order of plants and display no further interest in the success of your plantings. We want these plants to grow well and produce abundant crops that will make you always glad you relied on Rayners for the best in plants. We are outlining on these pages the important phases of plant culture. You will also receive full planting information with your order and you are always welcome to write for additional information or advice.

Growing Strawberries

Strawberries are one of the easiest fruits to grow. Good plants set at the proper season in good soil will respond with ordinary care and cultivation. There is nothing complicated about growing strawberries, and by following these easy instructions the beginner can assure good results.

Soil Requirements—Strawberries can be produced in abundance on any good garden soil or land that has produced satisfactory crops of garden or regular field crops. Land that has had thorough cultivation is best but if vacant lot, garden space or field that has been unattended has a rank growth of weeds and grass this an indication that the soil is fertile enough to grow excellent crops of strawberries.

Preparing The Land—The land should be plowed or dug as early in the spring as possible and worked until a level plant bed is formed. An application of horse, cow, hog or sheep manure at the rate of 1 bushel for every 50 square feet is good if applied before plowing or worked well into the soil. However, if previous crops have been well fertilized, good results may be expected without further fertilizing. (See paragraph on Fertilizer and Manure). When planning to set additional ground in strawberries it is well to consider plowing under a late summer crop of such green manure as peas, beans and other grasses or cover crops, or even natural weed growth. Plowing under while green will cause cover crops to rot much faster and also help destroy weed seeds. Early fall sowing of cover crops for discing under as early as possible in spring is also a good practice.

Planting Methods—If plants are to be set in rows, mark off rows 3½ to 4 feet apart from center to center so that rows will be about 2 feet wide when bedded and ample alleys will be left for cultivation. For the small garden and hand cultivation spacing may be narrower if desired. Plants should be set about 18 inches apart. In setting plants the most important points are to have the roots straight down with the soil packed firmly along entire root length and crown even with the surface. Proper depth is very important, but is easily established by following the illustration in these directions. If roots are too long (some varieties are much longer rooted than others) the roots may be clipped to a length of 4 or 5 inches without damage to the plants.

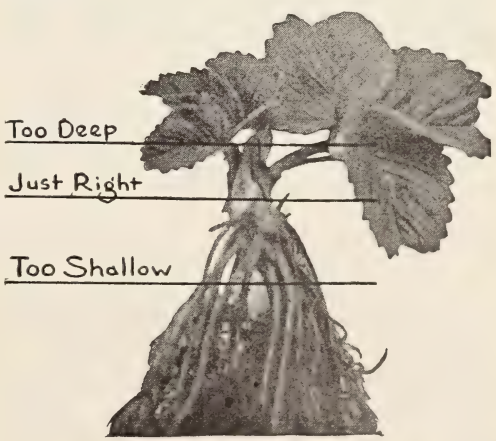
Readying The Plants For Setting—Plants from RAYNERS will come to you thoroughly cleaned with roots straightened and ready to set into the ground. Before setting, the roots should be covered with water so that they may soak up all moisture possible to hold them in good condition until the feeder roots begin their job. Before and during planting, keep plants protected from sun and wind and keep them thoroughly moist. IF PLANTS CANNOT BE SET SOON AFTER ARRIVAL they should be removed from the crate, the package material moistened, and then be repacked loosely. Stored in a cool, damp place they will keep in good condition three or four days. IF PLANTS MUST BE KEPT LONGER, they should be placed in cold storage around 32 degrees or if this is not convenient they should be heeled in. This is done by digging a V-shaped trench four or five inches deep. Spread plants thinly so soil contacts all roots and pack soil firmly up even with crowns of plants (note illustration). Water thoroughly and keep shaded if weather turns warm. If weather turns colder a light covering of straw or other mulch will protect plants until ready for setting.

Cultivation—Frequent cultivation will keep the ground from becoming crusted and will greatly retard weed growth. Plants should be hoed soon after set and any plants too deep or too shallow should be attended to. Be sure crowns are not covered as this will smother the plant and cause it to die. If roots are exposed there is danger of drying out. (See illustration). Hoe and cultivate shallow to avoid disturbing the roots. After plant bed is formed plants should not be allowed to become too dense. About 7 plants per square foot is considered ample and extra plants may be cut out with the hoe. A well spaced row provides more and better fruit.

Removing Blossoms—Flower stems usually appear on strawberry plants soon after they are set in the field and as the production of fruit on newly set plants is a severe drain on their vitality, the flower stems should be removed as blossoms appear. This will materially help the number of new runner plants and give them a much better fruiting bed. WITH EVERBEARING PLANTS the blossoms should be removed until the plants are well established. This will usually require about sixty to ninety days.

Time To Plant—Early spring, just as early as the ground can be worked, is the best time to set strawberry plants. Light frosts that do not heave the ground will not injure the newly set plants. PLANT EARLY while plants are fully dormant and the weather is most favorable to good growth.

Early planting is the most important single factor in successful strawberry culture. April in the North; to May 15 in the far North; March and April in the Middle States; November to April in the South.



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For our own plantings we are now using controlled storage plants that are dug during the winter. These plants can be kept dormant as long as desired. When weather has held up planting until late spring plants held dormant by controlled storage have given us as good results as fresh dug plants set in March.

We know from our experience that plants set in late April or May will do much better if dug while fully dormant and properly stored, instead of freshly dug plants that have begun to make spring growth. If you have a commercial storage plant near you that provides storage at 32 degrees, we recommend you order your plants early and store them so you can have them whenever desired. We recommend storage plants without reservations.

Fertilizer and Manure—Barnyard manure may be applied in fall, winter or very early spring at the rate of about 10 tons or more per acre. It may be applied after plowing on light soils and then disced in, or before plowing on heavy soils. If strawberries are grown on land following crops that have been fertilized, it is not usually necessary to apply any manure or fertilizer. If plants are making a strong, vigorous growth and have dark-green foliage throughout the summer this indicates the supply is adequate and no additional supply is needed.

Complete commercial fertilizers (approximately 5-10-5 or 5-10-10 mixture) give good results and are used by many commercial growers. To aid plants in getting a vigorous start fertilizer may be applied broadcast and thoroughly worked in the soil a week ahead of setting plants, or may be applied as a top dressing at the first cultivation after plants are set. Apply evenly and brush off any that may be on the leaves. Six pounds per 100 feet of row or 700 pounds per acre is ample.

Chicken manure mixed two parts to one part 16% superphosphate makes a satisfactory material. Chicken manure should be applied evenly while foliage is dry. Barnyard manure includes horse, cow, hog and sheep manure, to be used as indicated in first paragraph. WHERE FALL FERTILIZING IS INDICATED on moderately fertile soils where growth of plants is not very vigorous, 5 to 7 pounds of fertilizer per 100 feet of row or 600 to 800 pounds per acre will give good results when applied in late August or September.

Spraying and Dusting—Strawberries are seldom subject to any serious damage from disease or insects. Healthy plants of varieties immune or resistant to disease are your best assurance. Should your plants develop insect trouble, write and describe the condition and we will be glad to advise you. It is also a good bet to call on your County Agent because of his familiarity with local problems. If you do not know him, we will supply his name and address.

Summer and Early Fall Planting Not Advisable—Strawberry plants should not be dug and shipped during the growing season. Satisfactory results can be obtained only from dormant plants dug and shipped in November. In the interest of our customers we do not ship plants during July, August, September and October.

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Mating Varieties—All the varieties we offer are perfect flowering and will produce a full crop when planted alone. Varieties will not mix.

Winter Mulching—Mulching is a good practice because it guards against winter injury to roots and crowns and prevents plants from heaving out of the ground by alternate freezing and thawing. Ordinarily as soon as temperatures of 25 degrees or lower have occurred, mulch should be applied to cover beds at least 2 inches deep. Straw, marsh hay, pine needles and similar materials are satisfactory. Where growth is not too vigorous, strawy stable manure is recommended. As soon as growth starts in Spring the surplus mulch should be raked into the alleys. A light covering may be left for the plants to grow through. Mulching helps keep down weeds, keeps berries clean and conserves moisture, and for that reason is often practiced where winter injury is not a hazard.

Plants Required Per Acre

Plants required per acre at various planting distances:

Rows	Distance in Row	Plants per Acre
3½ feet apart	15 inches	10,000
3½ feet apart	18 inches	8,325
3½ feet apart	24 inches	6,225
3½ feet apart	30 inches	5,000
4 feet apart	15 inches	8,750
4 feet apart	18 inches	7,300
4 feet apart	24 inches	5,425
4 feet apart	30 inches	4,375

3 POINTS TO REMEMBER

FIRST—Plant EARLY in the Spring, just as soon as weather conditions permit preparing the soil. Plants set while fully dormant start far better and moisture supply and temperatures are most favorable in the Spring.

SECOND—Renew a part of your plantings each year. A planting is usually considered good for two or three years fruiting, with proper cultivation and favorable weather. However, the first year's fruiting is the best and in successive years the plants tend to blossom earlier and are more susceptible to frost damage and the size of fruit begins to run down. By renewing a part of your plantings each year you are assured of a more constant supply of finest quality berries.

THIRD—Set good plants. Quality and vitality of plants will largely influence growth and production. RAYNER'S vigorous, healthy plants assure high yields and best returns.

Growing Blueberries

Adaptability—Cultivated blueberries are being succesfully grown from North Carolina to the Northern boundaries of the Country. The best indication that blueberries may succeed on a soil is that they or some related plants, such as huckleberries, azaleas, or laurel, are found growing there naturally. We do not feel any exact limit of adaptability has been established and would suggest trial plantings anywhere except in the deep South or where the soil is alkaline or very dry.

Soils—VERY IMPORTANT—Natural blueberry soils have a p.h. value from 3.8 to 5.5 with best growth occurring between p.h. 4.1 to p.h. 5. These soils have an abundance of humus and a fairly constant high water table. Such soils must have a good surface drainage, as flooding during the growing season may cause serious injury. Planting on this type of soil is usually done on wide ridges, six to seven inches high. DO NOT PLANT BLUEBERRIES IN RICH GARDEN SOIL THAT HAS HAD THE BENEFIT OF LIME, STABLE MANURE OR OTHER SOIL SWEETENERS. If you set blueberry plants in your garden or lawn the best method is to dig a large hole where each plant is to be set and fill with woods leaf mold (the decayed leaf and straw matter found in woodsland). If this material is not readily available mix your soil with generous proportions of peat, sawdust (preferably rotting hardwood sawdust), or similar humus materials. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES should lime or stable manure be permitted to come into contact with the area in which plants are set. It should be borne in mind that the productiveness of a blueberry planting depends largely on the moisture supplied in the upper soil.

Mulching—On all but natural blueberry soil, a permanent mulch should be applied as soon as the plants are set. Such materials as straw, sawdust, salt hay, sudan grass, pine needles or leaves should be spread around the plants about six inches deep. Further applications should be made each year in sufficient quantities to maintain the mulch. With individual plants mulch should be applied over an area six to eight feet square.

Pruning—Usually very little pruning is necessary until the end of the third season, when regular annual pruning should ordinarily begin. Pruning directions are included with your order.

Fertilizer—The application of commercial fertilizer has given a very marked increase in the yield and size of fruit. Applications of ½ to ¾ lb. per bush have been very profitable, and indicate that even heavier applications would pay. A mixture of 100 lbs. nitrate of soda, 100 lbs. dried blood, 400 lbs. rock phosphate and 66 lbs. sulphate of potash has given good results on soils with a p.h. value below 5.0. On less acid soils, sulphate of ammonia should be used in place of nitrate of soda. We are using a standard 5-10-5 fertilizer with very good results. Application should be made in a wide band spread evenly around the plant about 10 inches from the plant. NO FERTILIZER SHOULD BE APPLIED THE FIRST YEAR PLANT IS SET.

Pollination—It is generally conceded that many or all of the cultivated blueberries tend to be self-sterile. Therefore, two or more varieties should be planted to insure good pollination.

Planting—For commercial planting, plants are set every four feet in rows eight to ten feet apart as many varieties of blueberries reach a height of six to seven feet and a width of five to six feet. Plants should be set slightly deeper than they grew in the nursery, with the roots well spread out. When planting, we place a thin layer of pulverized peat and sand, which has been soaked and mixed half and half, below and above the roots. We feel this makes an ideal rooting medium, and will keep the plant well supplied with moisture until it becomes established. Before planting, **one-half to two-thirds of the top growth should be pruned off.** For the home planting plants may be set in whatever manner is convenient, giving them about thirty-two square feet of space to each plant.

Yields—On good blueberry soil, yields of 6 to 8 pints per plant may be expected from mature plants and with medium pruning plants may produce 12 to 20 pints. However, most varieties will tend to overbear and after the third year it is the practice of commercial growers to prune the plants to keep up the size of the berries and encourage vigorous new growth for the next year's crop. Individual bushes will produce some fruit after being planted 1 year. A good rule of thumb is to estimate 1 pint per year of age of well established bushes; for example, 6 pints from a 6 year bush, etc. Present records indicate that blueberry plantings, with proper care, will be profitably productive for fifty to seventy-five years, and possibly longer.

Profits—Since the introduction of these large, cultivated blueberries their excellent flavor and unusual size have kept them in the price bracket of a novelty and prices have ranged very high with 75c per pint often realized. The market continues to increase as more fruit becomes available and many areas are just beginning to enjoy the introduction of hybrid blueberries. It is safe to state the market has merely been scratched, and because of their solid meatiness, good keeping qualities and absolute minimum of waste (no caps to remove) customers feel justified in paying premium prices above other berries. All of these reasons establish the blueberry as a dependable profit maker.

POINTS TO REMEMBER ABOUT BLUEBERRIES

1. Plant at least two varieties to provide for cross pollination. Cultivated blueberries are considered self-sterile.
2. Blueberries should not be planted on soils limed in recent years unless actual tests show soils are still acid enough for blueberries. For less acid soils, decaying leaves or acid peat, rotting straw, sawdust, etc., may be mixed into soil to make conditions suitable. This is important if you are planting in your garden or on your lawn.
3. Do not permit lime or stable manure to come into contact with immediate area in which plants are set. See directions on Soils and Fertilizers on this page.

GROWING RASPBERRIES

Select any well drained soil, preferably sandy loam or light clay or soil that will produce such crops as corn or potatoes. It is advisable to spread the land with manure before planting. Early spring planting is most satisfactory. For hill system the usual distance to plant is 5 ft. by 5 ft. If the hedge system is desired, plant 3 ft. apart in rows which are 5 to 7 feet apart. Before planting, the tops should be cut back to 6 inches or less, and plants should be set 2 to 3 inches deeper than they grew in the nursery (soil mark is very plain). Cultivate frequently enough to retain moisture and kill weeds, but be sure not to cultivate over 2 to 3 inches deep next to plants. After the fruiting season remove all fruiting canes, cutting them close to the ground and burning them. This will help prevent disease and greatly aid new growth. Do not allow over 8 canes to grow to the plant. Remove all weak canes and suckers so as to throw all the strength into the young bearing canes. Topping canes in the early spring will strengthen the canes and aid in picking. Raspberries respond readily to fertile soil, and sufficient fertilizer or manure should be used to keep the soil in good fertile condition.

GROWING GRAPES

Plant in a well drained location six to eight feet apart. If set in rows the rows should be about 8 feet apart. Before setting, vines should be pruned back so that only a few inches of stalk remain with two or three buds. Roots may also be trimmed to an 8 to 10 inch length. Be sure to dig holes large enough to spread roots well and set slightly deeper than roots grew in nursery (this is indicated by a definite soil mark).

Grapes may be trained along a garden fence or a regular arbor may be constructed to suit the desired arrangement in the garden. A simple method is to follow the practice of the commercial growers and settle posts from which three wires are strung with the lower wire supporting the vines as they grow from the main trunk and the middle and top wires to support the vine growth. This simple arrangement makes easy pruning as all that is necessary is to prune back to the main trunk branches along the lower wire in February or March before signs of new growth. FULL PRUNING AND GENERAL CULTURAL DIRECTIONS WILL BE SENT WITH YOUR ORDER.

GROWING ASPARAGUS

Asparagus grows best on light, loamy soil but is successful on practically any good garden soil. Before planting the soil should be worked well and furrows run out 6 to 10 inches deep, four to five feet apart. Roots should be set 12 to 18 inches apart down the furrows with roots well spread out. The crowns are covered firmly with three inches of soil when set and when cultivating the soil is gradually worked into the remaining furrow over a period of about 60 days or until level. Do not fill furrow too fast to prevent smothering.

Cultivation should be thorough and at intervals frequent enough to keep down weeds, and conserve moisture. Shoots may be cut for two or three weeks the year following planting and thereafter as long as desirable and then let tops grow. Right after cutting season the field should be given a heavy application of stable manure or commercial fertilizer high in nitrogen, at the rate of 10 to 25 pounds per 100 feet of row.

GROWING RHUBARB

Plants should be spaced from 3 to 4 feet apart and the crowns set 4 inches below the surface so they will be covered with 2 to 3 inches of soil. Firm soil about the roots with the feet. Apply liberal quantities of manure or fertilizer on land before planting. Shallow cultivation often enough to control weeds is all that is required.

GROWING BLACKBERRIES, BOYSENBERRIES

Culture is very similar to Raspberries. Cut back the plants when set, leaving 3 inches and not more than 6 inches of cane. Set plants same distance as Raspberries. Dig holes large enough to spread roots well and just deep enough to leave the crown or new growth about one inch under the soil. Pack soil firm, but not too hard, over the bud so it can start growth without interference. Water well if ground is dry. Bush fruits do not need plant food the first year after planting. Well rotted stable manure makes a good mulch in late fall before the ground freezes. FULL PRUNING, MULCHING AND OTHER INFORMATION INCLUDED WITH YOUR ORDER.

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Plants should be kept moist and protected from sun and wind until set. Watering as the plants are set is a good practice. Cultivate until the vines practically cover the ground or tubers begin to form. Topdress with complete fertilizer, high in potash, a week to 10 days after planting at the rate of 4 to 6 pounds per 100 feet of row.

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SPECIAL **$8.39**

FIGURE PARCEL POST RATES THIS EASY WAY

All you do is note the number listed back of your State on this page. Locate this number on Parcel Post chart below and amount of postage will appear on line listing quantity of plants ordered. Include this amount with your order. If you prefer shipment by Express do not send money for shipping charges and delivery man will collect at your door. If you, do not indicate method of shipment or include charges we will ship best way, charges collect.

PARCEL POST RATES BY ZONE NUMBERS

Alabama 5
Arizona 8
Arkansas 5
California 8
Colorado 7
Connecticut 3
Delaware 1 & 2
Dt. Columbia 2
Florida 5
Georgia 4
Idaho 8
Illinois 5
Indiana 4
Iowa 5
Kansas 6
Kentucky 4
Louisiana 5
Maine 4
Maryland 1 & 2
Massachusetts 4
Michigan 4
Minnesota 5
Mississippi 5
Missouri 5
Montana 7
Nebraska 6
Nevada 8
New Hampshire 4
New Jersey 2
(north of New Brunswick 3)
New Mexico 7
New York 3
(north of Albany 4)
North Carolina 3
North Dakota 7
Ohio 4
Oklahoma 6
Oregon 8
Pennsylvania 3
(Counties south and east of Harrisburg 2)
Rhode Island 4
South Carolina 4
South Dakota 6
Tennessee 5
Texas 6
Utah 6
Vermont 4
Virginia 3
(east of Staunton, Danville 1 & 2)
Washington 8
West Virginia 3
(Charleston and south and west 4)
Wisconsin 5
Wyoming 7

PARCEL POST RATES BY ZONE NUMBERS

STRAWBERRIES, SWEET POTATO PLANTS, ASPARAGUS ROOTS

Quantity of Plants	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
25 Plants	$ .11	$ .12	$ .15	$ .18	$ .20	$ .24	$ .27
50 Plants	.12	.12	.18	.23	.27	.33	.38
100 Plants	.14	.18	.25	.34	.41	.52	.61
200 Plants	.17	.24	.36	.50	.63	.79	.95
300 Plants	.19	.28	.43	.61	.77	.98	1.17
400 Plants	.28	.44	.72	1.05	1.35	1.72	2.08
500 Plants	.34	.55	.90	1.32	1.71	2.18	2.65
750 Plants	.42	.71	1.18	1.75	2.29	2.93	3.55
1000 Plants	.53	.90	1.51	2.25	2.94	3.76	4.57

GRAPE VINES, RASPBERRIES, BLACKBERRIES, BLUEBERRIES

Quantity	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3 to 6 Plants	$ .14	$ .18	$ .25	$ .34	$ .41	$ .52	$ .61
7 to 12 Plants	.16	.22	.32	.44	.56	.70	.83
13 to 20 Plants	.18	.26	.39	.53	.70	.89	1.06
21 to 30 Plants	.20	.30	.46	.66	.84	1.07	1.29

Postage rates on Blueberries figured on 2 year plants. Postage on 1 year Blueberry Plants **one-half** of above rates. Postage on 3 year Blueberry Plants **double** the above rates.

BERRY BASKETS

Quantity	1 & 2	3	4	5	6
100 Pints	$ .16	$ .22	$ .32	$ .44	$ .56
100 Quarts	.18	.26	.39	.56	.70
200 Pints	.25	.38	.61	.89	1.13
200 Quarts	.30	.48	.75	1.15	1.49
300 Pints	.35	.57	.94	1.37	1.78
300 Quarts	.41	.69	1.10	1.70	2.21

DUE TO POSTAL REGULATIONS governing size of package, not more than 300 baskets may be shipped in one package. Standard cartons of 500 may be shipped by Express or Freight.

BETTER BERRIES BUILT OUR BUSINESS

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Rayner's High Quality Strawberry Plants

(Prices on Blueberries, Raspberries, Grapes and other Plants on Descriptive Pages)

Early Varieties	25 Plants	50 Plants	100 Plants	200 Plants	300 Plants	500 Plants	750 Plants	1000 Plants
BLAKEMORE	$ .75	$1.25	$2.00	$3.50	$4.50	$6.25	$ 8.25	$10.00
DORSETT	1.05	1.75	2.80	4.90	6.30	8.75	11.55	14.00
FAIRFAX	1.10	1.80	2.90	5.10	6.50	9.10	12.10	14.50
KLONDYKE	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50	4.50	6.25	8.25	10.00
KLONMORE	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50	4.50	6.25	8.25	10.00
MAYTIME	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50	4.50	6.25	8.25	10.00
MIDLAND	1.15	1.90	3.00	5.25	6.75	9.40	12.40	15.00
MISSIONARY	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50	4.50	6.25	8.25	10.00
PREMIER	1.00	1.70	2.70	4.75	6.10	8.45	11.15	13.50
HOWARD 17	1.00	1.70	2.70	4.75	6.10	8.45	11.15	13.50
TEMPLE	1.00	1.65	2.60	4.55	5.85	8.15	10.75	13.00
Midseason Varieties								
BIG JOE	1.00	1.65	2.60	4.55	5.85	8.15	10.75	13.00
CATSKILL	1.05	1.75	2.80	4.90	6.30	8.75	11.55	14.00
FAIRLAND	1.50	2.50	4.00	7.00	9.00	12.50	16.50	20.00
MASSEY	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00
PATHFINDER	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00
ROBINSON	1.15	1.90	3.00	5.25	6.75	9.40	12.40	15.00
SCARLET BEAUTY	1.15	1.90	3.00	5.25	6.75	9.40	12.40	15.00
SEN. DUNLAP	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00
SPARKLE	1.05	1.75	2.80	4.90	6.30	8.75	11.55	14.00
STARBRIGHT	1.15	1.90	3.00	5.25	6.75	9.40	12.40	15.00
SUWANEE	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00
Late Varieties								
AMBROSIA	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00
AROMA	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50	4.50	6.25	8.25	10.00
CHESAPEAKE	1.15	1.90	3.00	5.25	6.75	9.40	12.40	15.00
FAIRPEAKE	1.15	1.90	3.00	5.25	6.75	9.40	12.40	15.00
LUPTON	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00
WM. BELT	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00
Very Late Varieties								
GANDY	.90	1.50	2.40	——	Supply Limited		——	——
PEARL	.90	1.50	2.40	——	Supply Limited		——	——
REDSTAR	1.15	1.90	3.00	5.25	6.75	9.40	12.40	15.00
Everbearing Varieties								
GEM	1.90	3.15	5.00	8.75	11.25	15.65	20.65	25.00
MASTODON	1.90	3.15	5.00	8.75	11.25	15.65	20.65	25.00
STREAMLINER	2.25	3.75	6.00	——	Supply Limited		——	——
WAYZATA	3.75	6.25	10.00	——	Supply Limited		——	——

All plants F.O.B. Salisbury, Maryland, at prices quoted.

TERMS: Payment with order. Or one-fourth down and balance before shipment.

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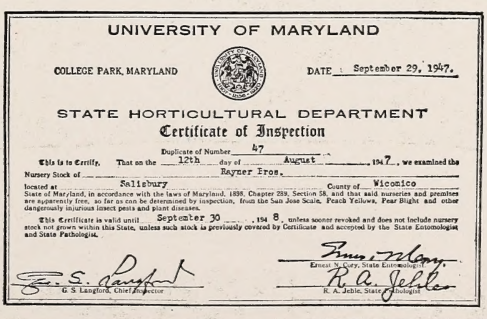
$1.00 Worth of Strawberry Plants

See Back of Order Sheet For Particulars



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COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND — DATE September 29, 1947.

STATE HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

Certificate of Inspection

Duplicate of Number 47

This is to Certify, That on the 12th day of August, 1947, we examined the Nursery Stock of Rayner Bros.,

located at Salisbury County of Wicomico

State of Maryland, in accordance with the laws of Maryland, 1939, Chapter 259, Section 58, and that said nurseries and premises are apparently free, so far as can be determined by inspection, from the San Jose Scale, Peach Yellows, Fear Blight and other dangerously injurious insect pests and plant diseases.

This Certificate is valid until September 30, 1948, unless sooner revoked and does not include nursery stock not grown within this State, unless such stock is previously covered by Certificate and accepted by the State Entomologist and State Pathologist.

G. S. Langford, Chief Inspector

Ernest N. Cory, State Entomologist

R. A. Jehle, State Pathologist

OUR PLANTS ARE CERTIFIED

A COPY OF OUR STATE CERTIFICATE ACCOMPANIES EVERY SHIPMENT

WE WILL BE GLAD TO QUOTE DELIVERED PRICES.

RAYNER BROTHERS, SALISBURY, MD.